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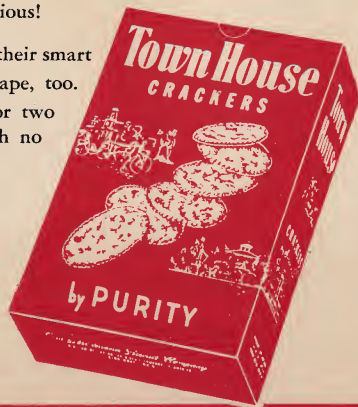
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THE FORTHCOMING ELECTION

By DR. G. HOMER DURHAM

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As 1951's summer shades lengthen and autumn's coolness is anticipated, it is inevitable that literate minds in most parts of the globe will turn to the 1952 pageantry of nominating and electing a president of the United States.

The new twenty-second amendment to the Constitution of the United States permits Mr. Truman the chance at another term. Whether he accepts the opportunity to do it, was not known at the time these lines were written, but there were certain indications that a Truman candidacy was not impossible. The availability of Mr. Chief Justice Vinson, reported to be Mr. Truman's first choice as his successor, would seem most unlikely to the trained observer. As chief justice, Mr. Vinson occupies perhaps

the most unusual office of confidence and trust, outside the presidency and one which can continue for the remainder of his life. To relinquish this high office in the hope of securing the Democratic nomination in 1952 (which is quite possible inasmuch as Mr. Truman, as with every other president, will be able to control the convention under all but abnormal circumstances) is extremely risky business in view of the strong conservative reaction which has swept the country in recent years. As in 1948, Mr. Truman may be impressed to make the fight in the interest of his own conceptions and the traditions and loyalty which bind him to the Democratic party. Aside from Mr. Vinson there is no visible Democratic candidate presently on the scene who appears capable of uniting Dixiecrats and northern "Fair Dealers" in the same show although some favor Senator Paul Douglas of Illinois. By default therefore, as well as determined choice, Mr. Truman will not surprise by "accepting" the second time his party's nomination. The continuation of the Korean War can almost force such a decision. The cessation of hostilities, on the other hand, may permit Mr. Truman to retire with satisfaction, leaving the 1952 Democratic convention to the powers that be—which will include, of course, himself.

General Eisenhower, on the Republican side, seems to have a downfield headstart on any opposition, if he is willing and available. Again, the international situation and Mr.

Truman's own decisions as the nation's chief executive, can largely determine the possibility of an Eisenhower candidacy! Nor should it be forgotten that there are many Democrats, including congressional leaders, who would be delighted to accept the general. Until any clarifications emerge, the course of foreign affairs, and the decisions of Mr. Truman and General Eisenhower personally are undoubtedly the three most strategic factors in the total picture for 1952. Governor Dewey's organized support for an Eisenhower nomination in the Republican convention, meantime, is an element which Senator Taft and Governor Warren must bear in mind. At this stage and distance, should Eisenhower be out of the picture or by some legerdemain emerge as the Democratic nominee, Governor Warren might be

predicted to emerge the Republican convention favorite—after the Taft and Dewey forces, however, neutralize and eliminate each other as in 1940. But should Taft pick up Dewey support (meaning the New York delegation and hangers-on), a Taft-tandem could also clear the barriers and make the nomination, Pennsylvania and Duff cooperating.

No matter who emerges as victor, the President of the United States must be recognized not merely as chief executive of this federal republic, but as leader for much of the western world. This conclusion should be recognized for what it is: a solid legal, as well as political and economic fact.

Woodrow Wilson, forty years ago, viewed the office as *involving* the responsibilities of chief legislator; and Howard Lee McBain in his *The Living Constitution* offered substantial proof that this indeed had become the case—by 1921.

Today the American presidency is the repository and recipient of more than 1100 extensive statutory powers—conferred by the Congress—as found in the U. S. Code. Under these statutes, the President by executive order determines the shape, size, and nature of most of our governmental

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Faith Takes Knowledge by the Hand

Down the years, man's knowledge has paved the way for the wonders he has wrought, yet often he reaches that crossroads where test tube and microscope cannot lead the way. Then Faith takes Knowledge by the hand on the search for Truth.

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President J. Reuben Clark, Jr., Second Counselor in the First Presidency, is featured on the ERA cover this month. The original photograph is the work of Boyart Studio. This is the fourth of five four-color portraits being used as covers. Yet to be published is the four-color portrait of President Joseph Fielding Smith of the Council of the Twelve.

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President McKay *Receives* Temple University Citation

AT THE invitation of Temple University, President David O. McKay went to Philadelphia and delivered a commencement day address, June 14. There, Dr. Edward R. McKay, Salt Lake City physician and graduate of Temple University, cited his father for the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters, saying:

"Because I cannot evaluate impartially the candidate for Temple University's honors, Mr. President, let me speak only from the record. He is the spiritual leader of a faith numbering about a million persons. His life has been spent in the councils of the Church, guiding its schools, heading its missions abroad, writing books of doctrine and precept, and directing its business concerns. Prayer and practical affairs being indivisible elements for members of this communion, he has been trustee or executive officer of banks, insurance companies, securities corporations, mercantile enterprises, colleges, universities, health and welfare organizations, and community improvement groups.

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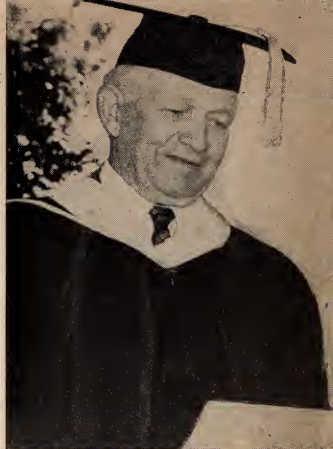
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President David O. McKay
shown at the time he received
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Young University.

President David O. McKay

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PRESIDENT David O. McKay delivered the baccalaureate address to the graduates of Brigham Young University June 3. At graduating exercises June 4 he received the honorary Doctor of Humanities degree, with Dr. Christen Jensen, formerly acting president of this Church university, giving this citation:

"David Oman McKay, honored and beloved leader of men. From the early years of his life he has progressively become a farmer, student, missionary, educator, father, Apostle, public servant, and now the presiding High Priest, and prophet, seer, and revelator in the restored Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. In the crowning years of his life he is active in all of these fields of endeavor.

"Gifted in speech, he lends clarity and dignity to the principles of the gospel. His is a nobility of spirituality, a gentleness founded in love, and particularly in love for little children. He has a calmness born of long labor in perfect faith, a forcefulness based on a sure vision of the kingdom of heaven, and uncompromising firmness where the principles of righteousness are concerned.

"Honored by calls to service, he has presided over the Weber Stake Academy, was commissioner of education for the Church, and has been a member of the governing boards of all three of the major universities in Utah. He has been chairman of the Ogden Betterment League, the American Red Cross advisory board in Utah, the Utah Council of Child Health and Protection, and the Utah State Centennial Commission, and an active participant in many other similarly worthy causes.

"In the economic realm he has for years been a director in numerous outstanding business organizations, many of which he will now serve as president.

"Having spent five years in active missionary work, including a tour of every mission in the world [except the South African] and two years as president of the European Mission, he was in 1934 given charge of the entire missionary program of the Church. Fifty-two years of his life have been marked by service to the Sunday Schools, which continue to claim his mature counsel and to enjoy a choice place in his affections.

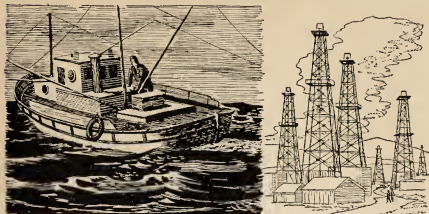
"Because he has given his life to his fellow men in every part of the world, because he is in his person and character what men everywhere might well aspire to be, because he stands for all that education would make of a servant of all in his Father's kingdom, this university, founded upon the principles responsible for his achievements, confers upon him the degree Doctor of Humanities, *honoris causa*."



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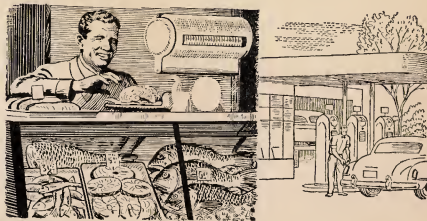
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A Day To Day Chronology Of Church Events

May 1951

22 IT WAS announced that President Joseph Fielding Smith of the Council of the Twelve would receive an honorary doctor of letters degree from Brigham Young University, June 4.

23 THE Primary Association announced that about nine thousand Sea Gull Girls (eleven-year olds) are graduating this month.

26 THE PRIMARY ASSOCIATION'S "Children's Friend of the Air" began its sixth year of service to the children of the intermountain area. It is the first Church program to be regularly televised.

27 BAKERSFIELD STAKE organized from portions of the California Mission with Elder Alan Pettit sustained as president and Elders William E. Davies and Lincoln R. Slaughter, as counselors. The following wards were organized: Bakersfield First, with Bishop George William Gabbittas; Bakersfield Second, Bishop Albert Lucian Lewis; Bakersfield Third, Bishop George Warren Willson; Taft, Bishop Howard Martin Pond; Porterville, Bishop Don G. Christensen; and Lancaster Ward, Bishop Elden Overlade. Three independent branches were created: Wasco, President Bernell J. Edwards; Delano, President Ronald Rounds; Mojave, President LaSalle Hansen. Stake membership exceeds twenty-two hundred. Elders Harold B. Lee and Henry D. Moyle were in charge of organizing this, the 186th stake of the Church.

Presiding Bishop LeGrand Richards dedicated the chapel of the Beaver Ward, Bear River (Utah) Stake.

30 IT was announced that the Young Women's Mutual Improvement Association had prepared pins that would henceforth be available to officers and teachers of that organization who had completed five, ten, fifteen, twenty, or twenty-five years of service.

June 1951

1 AUGUSTA WINTERS GRANT, widow of President Heber J. Grant, seventh President of the Church, died at ninety-four years of age.

3 PRESIDENT DAVID O. MCKAY delivered the annual baccalaureate address to the graduating class of Brigham Young University.

Elder Henry D. Moyle of the Council of the Twelve delivered the baccalaureate address at Utah State Agricultural College.

Elder Spencer W. Kimball dedicated the chapel of the Fort William and Port Arthur Sunday School, Ft. William, Ontario, Canada, while on a tour of the North Central States Mission.

4 PRESIDENT DAVID O. MCKAY received an honorary doctor of humanities degree and President Joseph Fielding Smith of the Council of the Twelve received an honorary doctor of laws degree at graduating rites of Brigham Young University. Elder Harold B. Lee of the Council of the Twelve delivered the commencement address.

8 IMPORTANT meeting held at southern California Church welfare regional ranch at Perris, California, with President J. Reuben Clark, Jr., of the First Presidency, Elder Henry D. Moyle of the Council of the Twelve and chairman of the Church welfare committee, Elder Marion G. Romney, assistant to the Council of the Twelve, and assistant director, Church welfare plan, and Elder Lester F. Hewlett, an officer of Deseret Industries, in attendance.

9 THE First Presidency announced the appointment of Elder Lyman S. Shreeve of Thatcher, Arizona, to preside over the Uruguay Mission, succeeding President Frederick S. Williams. President Shreeve filled missions for the Church in Argentina, 1936-38, and again in 1945-48.

President David O. McKay delivered the commencement address at the University of Utah. At these exercises he was awarded an honorary doctor of letters degree.

President J. Reuben Clark, Jr., dedicated the Bishop's Storehouse for the Southern California region, at East Los Angeles.

10 ELDER William Jackson O'Bryant, formerly first counselor, sustained as president of Idaho Falls (Idaho) Stake, with Elders Joseph A. Armstrong and Elmer S. Crowley as counselors. Released were President William Grant Ovard and his second

counselor, Elder Oscar W. Johnson.

Elder G. Homer Durham gave the concluding talk of seven addresses under the general title "Invitation to Faith," on the Church radio hour on KSL.

Elder John A. Widtsoe of the council of the Twelve dedicated the chapel of the Washington Terrace First and Second wards, Weber (Utah) Stake.

13 AN all-day Young Women's Camp Institute was held at The Wigwam in Mill Creek Canyon, as a pre-June conference session of the Mutual Improvement Associations.

Associated Press reported from London that Tass, the Russian news agency, had quoted advices of the communist news agency, Telepress, from Helsinki, Finland, that L.D.S. missionaries were "distributing anti-Soviet literature and lies about the Soviet Union, the people's democracies, the Finnish communist party, the Finnish democratic (communist) organizations, as well as conducting agitation against the Soviet-Finnish treaty." At Salt Lake City President Stephen L. Richards denied the charges, citing that missionaries have been specifically instructed to avoid any political discussion and to keep themselves free of any taint concerning governmental matters.

This week the Primary Associations of the Church were beginning their first year-round programs. Previously meetings of the organization were confined to the public school months with only a short summer recreational program.

It was announced that the Church had purchased property at Nauvoo, Illinois, for a Bureau of Information and had called Elder and Mrs. Walter G. Hogan of Bountiful, Utah, to be the bureau directors.

14 PRESIDENT David O. McKay delivered the commencement address at Temple University, Philadelphia, Pa. The university conferred on him an honorary doctor of letters degree.

Games and recreation for young women's camp sessions occupied most of the day in a pre-conference program of the June M. I. A. conference.

Drama and speech festivals were held in the Bonneville Stake house and the Colonial Hills Ward house. The same program was presented at both buildings.

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Today America stands in jeopardy. Again the cherished ideals of freedom and equality

will be upheld as we present a solid front.

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says **RAY MILLAND** starring in "RHUBARB"

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University of Utah Honors President David O. McKay

PRESIDENT David O. McKay was the speaker at the University of Utah commencement exercises, June 9. As part of those exercises President McKay received an honorary Doctor of Letters degree, with Dr. C. Lowell Lees, head of the speech department, making the presentation:

"Mr. President: I have the great honor to present David Oman McKay, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; chairman of the Utah Centennial Commission, former regent of the University of Utah, and [former trustee of] the Utah State Agricultural College; trustee of the Brigham Young University; holder of many other positions of trust throughout the state; advocate for the promotion and enjoyment of the arts; teacher, administrator, and patron of education; author, and world traveler.

"In recognition of his devotion to truth, goodness, and beauty; his exemplification of the Master's teachings through his life and love of service—that the leader of men must be the servant of men, and his understanding that the worth of humanity lies in the dignity and warmth of its human relationships; I recommend, on behalf of the board of regents and the faculty of the University of Utah that David Oman McKay be awarded the degree of Doctor of Letters, *honoris causa*."

IN DAVID'S WORDS

By Eloise Wade Hackett

He sang his psalms with such sincerity, Such gratitude and joy, that still today

His phrases come to our lips spontaneously To meet our needs. In David's words we say:

"The Lord is my light . . . whom shall I fear?"

"The Lord is my shepherd . . . he leadeth me."

"The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof."

"I trust in thee."

Many a troubled one finds healing balm In saying over some beloved psalm.

THE IMPROVEMENT ERA

YOU WHO ARE NEW TO MOUNTAINS

By Vera White

Do not approach them as you would greet
An unknown person, with an outstretched hand,
Eager for friendship on a foreign street.
Time sentinels the skyway where they stand!

Aloof as eagles on a flight of air
The mountains wait in solitude of strength,
Oblivious to your salute or stare
Until the universe has spun a length
Of tireless space for you. When many days
Of changing light about a changeless peak
Have folded curves and heights a million ways,
You will discern immensity you seek.

You who are new to mountains, do not try
To grasp too soon the shape of time and sky!

*Crater Lake, Colorado,
at the foot of
Maroon Bell Peaks*

*Photograph by
A. R. Leding*



Poetry

WHEAT FIELD

By Elaine V. Emans

ASK never what there is about a field
Of growing wheat in sun that grips a
man,
Lest your esthetic blindness be revealed.
Artist and poet and the veteran
Shrewd farmer watching it alike are caught
For long hypnotic moments by the gentle
And golden undulations, zephyr-wrought.
And old as earth is old, an elemental
Beauty in wheat that waits its harvesting
Becomes apparent soon to them who find.
In looking at a field, they see this thing:
A flour exquisite as mills can grind,
And leaves innumerable, crisply-brown,
And supper laid, and families sitting down.

SERMON IN THE SOIL

By Beulah Huish Sadleir

TO earth—with earth—and then with
God—
As both my hands dug into sod—
Hands browned with daylight's
Burning sun,
Sensing the movement of
Life begun.
Until in twilight's warm blue air—
These hands of mine made silent prayer.

They knew while putting roots to clay—
That God had knelt with me all day.

GLEANNER GIRL'S PRAYER

By Bonnie Davis

GOD, give me strength to do thy will
And turn not from my duty.
Open my eyes that they may see
Thy works in all their beauty.

Accept my thanks for all the
Blessings that on me you've bestowed
May I be thy humble servant
With the gospel as my code.

Let my spirit guard the body
Thou hast given me to keep
So that I may come before thee
With the purest of thy sheep.

Send my feet in righteous paths
That lead me to thy throne—
That I may see thy face once more
And call thy kingdom "Home."

LONGING

By Josephine J. Harvey

MY nostrils know the smell of sage
Where blue shadows lie upon the hills,
And I should be content.

Why does a longing surge through me
To know the endless story
Written on an ancient page?

Why do I feel the urge to follow
The trail of the fleet-footed doe
When spring comes up the valley?

As the shell speaks of the sea,
The wind is a song in my ear,
And the far, far acres call to me.

WHILE FORESTS SING

By Pansy H. Powell

BE still awhile and pause for simple
things—
Here where the troubled world, besieged
by fear,
Is trembling at the passing of this year.
Take courage, heart, from nature's offer-
ings.
Be silent when the autumn forest sings
An elegy for summer; on the bier
See nature's purple blossomings and hear
Aloft the beat of southward-compassed
wings.

Nature has made no change; though men
may hush
Their songs of peace, and friend may turn
to foe.

Still mountain shadows follow ancient
plan.
Autumn is signaled by each flaming bush,
And seasons harvest what the seasons
sow.
In dusk and dawn is certitude for man!



—Photograph by Darrel M. Stuart

BOY AT DAWN

By Alma Robison Higbee

HE who always waited for his father's
voice to rout
Him from the soft and hazy cocoon of sleep
Awoke to see the tardy candles of the stars
burn out.
Leaving the blackened wicks of night shut-
tered far and deep
Beyond the smoldering embers of dawn: he
rubbed his eyes,
Stretched and yawned, remembering pic-
nics on Winwood Lake,
Blue, willow-ruffled water that mirrored
lupine skies.
The boat, the picnic basket of fried chicken
and cake,
And eagerness was like a ball that un-
wound deep inside.
He plunged into his trousers and made his
hasty way
Downstairs and through the kitchen to the
gray-green world outside.
Treading in the dewy wetness, on the silver
heels of day.

I TALKED WITH GOD

By Robert I. Burton

I TALKED with God;
And anger in my soul, touched by his
grace,
To love of God and fellow man, gave
place.

I talked with God:
The wound within my heart that lay
concealed,
More quickly than by magic pow'r, was
healed.

I talked with God:
Dispelled were all those blighting doubts
and fears
That seared my anxious soul in former
years.

I talked with God:
My stubborn will subdued, I thereby won
Humility to say, "Thy will be done."

SUMMER VISITOR

By Bess Hagaman Tefft

I SAW the wide-nosed auto spraying stone
And come to rest beneath the maple tree.
She ran to me with arms outstretched;
alone—

But slim and lovely as she used to be.
"How wonderful to see you! What divine
Old trees you have—and such a lofty
view!"

We smiled and talked; a little glow was
mine.

To think she saw the happiness I knew.
And then the time had come for her to go.
"The farm is lovely now, of course," A
frown?

"But don't you die of loneliness when
snow
Starts falling and you can't get to town?"

How could I bridge the chasm of our lives?
Weak empty words would reach . . . I
fear . . .

And I could only murmur . . . faintly now,
"Oh, I don't know. We both prefer
it . . . here."

HAPPY WARRIOR

By Catherine E. Berry

BACK from the wars he came, a little
tired.
His tin hat drooping from his tousled head.
With weary, dirt-streaked face and tatter-
ed coat,
Knowing that here were needed food and
bed.

The shambles on the corner lot revealed
The enemy had made a gallant fight,
But peace was signed—or else an armis-
tice

When they were faced with shadows of
the night.

Now snug in bed and lost in some dream
world,

The earth moves on beyond the battle's
din.

Relaxed in sleep, his energy renewed
For that bright dawn when other wars
begin.

The Editor's Page

By President
David O. McKay

Our Individual Responsibility

IT IS IMPORTANT that we all be impressed with our individual responsibility and that we appreciate that this Church depends upon all the people, not upon just a few, and that those who fail to carry their share of responsibility are not wholly true to their trust.

Fortunately, there are many members and officers in the Church who are determined to carry out their individual responsibility—not because it has been urged upon them by someone else but because they know that it is their individual responsibility.

I believe we should be influenced in this as, reputedly, a group of sailors were many decades ago. It was during the anti-slavery agitation, and a meeting was called in Faneuil Hall, Boston. It seems that these sailors had been hired to break up the meeting. They went there in a body, danced around on the floor, sang, shouted, and in every way possible tried to prevent the speakers from addressing the meeting. In vain were they appealed to: Their love of liberty, the memory of their old home, the honor of Massachusetts were all invoked; but still they continued their disturbance and refused to be quiet.

Suddenly a man, evidently one of their own number, arose. Quieted for a moment by his appearance, and thinking they had found a champion, the mob ceased its noise. The man said, "Boys, I would not be quiet unless I had a mind to." Encouraged by this remark, the mob burst into loud applause, which lasted some minutes. When it ceased because of the men's desire to hear more, the man continued: "No, I would not be quiet if I didn't have a mind to, but if I were you, I would have a mind to, not because of the memory of this hall, not for the honor of Massachusetts, not for loyalty to her government only, but because you are men; and honorable men always stand up for the

liberty of right, justice, and free speech." They were quieted; their manhood had been touched.

I believe that we all should carry out the responsibility that is upon us, not merely because others have urged us to do so, but because we have it in our souls to do it.

And what is this responsibility that rests upon every member of the Church? In the 107th section of the Doctrine and Covenants we find the following in the 99th verse:

"Wherefore, now let every man *learn* his duty, and *to act* in the office in which he is appointed, in all diligence." (Italics added.)

Two principles in that admonition stand out: first, the learning, the knowing what one's duty is; second, *to act* in all diligence in the performance of that duty.

To know one's duty, to learn the truth, is the duty of every Latter-day Saint, of every man and woman in the world, including those outside of this Church. There is a natural feeling which urges men and women towards truth; it is a responsibility placed upon mankind. But that responsibility rests upon the Latter-day Saints in greater degree than upon their fellow men—because the Latter-day Saints have learned the truth that the everlasting gospel has been restored.

But knowing a thing, or merely feeling an assurance of the truth, is not sufficient. "To him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin." (James 4:17.)

This thought brings us to consider the second duty mentioned in this revelation by the Prophet Joseph Smith: "Wherefore, now let every man learn his duty, and *to act* in the office in which he is appointed, in all diligence." The man who knows what his duty is and fails to perform it is not true

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to himself; he is not true to his brethren; he is not living in the light which God and conscience provide. This comes right home to you and to me. When conscience tells me that it is right to go along in a specified line, I am not true to myself if I do not follow that. Oh, I know we are swayed by our weaknesses and by influences from without; but it is our duty to walk in the straight and narrow path in the performance of every duty!

And mark this: Every time we have opportunity and fail to live up to that truth which is within us, every time we fail to express a good thought, every time we fail to perform a good act, we weaken ourselves and make it more difficult to express that thought or perform that act in the future. Every time we perform a good act, every time we express a noble feeling, we make it easier to perform that act or express that feeling another time.

I am reminded of the story of the woman who "felt" sympathy; she knew how to sympathize with the poor heroine on the stage. This lady sat in her box, comfortable in her furs and fine silks, and as she looked at the performance, she wept in sympathy with the heroine who was suffering imaginary torments; and while that woman was sympathizing with the stage heroine, her own coachman froze to death on the carriage seat outside, because of insufficient clothing.

It is not enough to "feel"; we must act so that it will benefit somebody.

Let us look around in our own ward next Sunday and try to estimate how many of the Latter-day Saints are absent from the sacrament meeting. It may be that a majority are absent. And those who are absent without a real excuse are neglecting one of the duties of a Latter-day Saint. Upon whom does the responsibility of bringing in these brethren and sisters rest?

First, perhaps, upon the bishopric. As the bishop sits there, let him look around and notice if all the presidents of the various organizations in the ward are present. Let him note if the presidents of the priesthood quorums are absent.

But it is not the bishop's sole responsibility; this Church rests upon all and not upon a few. If one of the presidents of seventy's quorum in that ward is present, and he finds that some of the seventies are absent, the responsibility of bringing them to meeting rests upon him. If presidents of the various quorums of deacons are present, they should note what quorum members have absented themselves from that meeting and let them assume the responsibility of visiting those members. And so throughout the various organizations in that ward.

Where is the responsibility, then? It is divided as it should be, as God intends it to be, among the people composing the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; the responsibility does not rest upon the officers alone; it rests upon the members also. God has blessed us with a knowledge of the truth; and the knowledge of the truth is not enough unless it is expressed, unless it is bringing others to that knowledge. That is the spirit and responsibility of the Latter-day Saint, and it rests upon us all.

Every man, every woman, every boy and girl must bear a part of the responsibility of this Church.

"Wherefore, now let every man learn his duty," and act in all diligence in the performance of it.

"He that is slothful shall not be counted worthy to stand, and he that learns not his duty and shows himself not approved shall not be counted worthy to stand." (See D. & C. 107:99-100.)

Was Brigham Young Responsible for the Mountain Meadows Massacre?

IN THE gradual settlement of the West many unlawful events occurred. Practically every western state has a cemetery in which desperadoes, shot or hung by personal enemies or by the people, are buried. The history of the state of Utah is singularly free from such occurrences, except for the terrible Mountain Meadows Massacre. In the late summer of 1857 a company of emigrants, chiefly from Arkansas and

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Missouri, left Salt Lake City for southern California, traveling along the line of settlements southward via Parowan, Utah. On the way they seemed to delight in aggravating both Indians and Mormons.

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They camped for a rest in the well-watered Mountain Meadows, lush with grass. On September 14, 1857, they were attacked and more than

120 persons killed by a band of Indians in company, so it is said, with some white persons. It was a terrible affair.

Around the story of the horrible mass murder a large literature has grown up, chiefly against the Latter-day Saints. The Mormon haters found in this unspeakable massacre a mouthful to use in their anti-Mormon hunting. So widely has this event been discussed in local gossip, remaining documents, several federal trials, and in books and pamphlets that what is known about it has become a commonplace.

Just what were the causes of the massacre, and who, aside from the Indians, were participants are not really known. John D. Lee, as Indian agent, up to that time of irreproachable reputation, was convicted, whether justly or not, and executed. Then the law seemed satisfied.

As usual in those days, non-Mormons heaped the blame on the Church through Brigham Young. However, the many legal investigations have cleared President Young and his colleagues.

Several books have been written on the thesis that Brigham Young and George A. Smith by their public utterances inflamed the people, until the massacre occurred. This is nonsense to anyone really acquainted with the history of the Latter-day Saints. First, these sermons were such as any courageous people would speak under unjust persecution. The forebears of the speakers had helped to form the United States of America. The blood of freedom ran in their veins. Second, if the speeches had been such as to lead to murder, how can it be explained that the Mountain Meadows Massacre was the only criminal act of the kind in the year when feelings ran high because Johnston's Army was on its way to Utah? Any remarks by Brigham Young inflaming the people to murder would not have been concentrated in Parowan and Cedar City, Iron County. There were plenty of opportunities for such acts, to some degree, in many other Utah places. Strangers were passing through the state from many places. The theory of the books which in the main rehash well-worn facts, cannot be accepted by well-informed people.

Here is my personal testimony as to the story of the Mountain Meadows Massacre:

As a lad I worked in the Main Street Store of the United Order Building and Manufacturing Company in Logan, Utah, commonly known as the U. O. The Logan Branch of Zion's Cooperative Mercantile Institution, familiarly known as the Z.C.M.I., was on the corner, one half block down the street. It was one of my

duties to take our egg and butter accumulation, commodities of exchange in those days, to the egg and butter house of Z.C.M.I. It was a small building a little to the rear of the large Z.C.M.I. store building. The worker in charge there was a man who to my boyish eyes was old, perhaps in his sixties. His name was James Holton Haslam. He and I became good friends. Eager for knowledge, I discovered that he was the courier who traveled the road between Salt Lake City to Parowan and back to help President Young establish friendly feelings among the emigrant company, the settlers, and the Indians. The Indians were giving chief concern. He described minutely the trip from Cedar City to Salt Lake City riding three hundred miles in three days, to warn President Young that trouble for the traveling company was brewing in the south. Brigham Young was greatly troubled. Within a few hours after his arrival Brother Haslam was again in the saddle to instruct the people at Parowan and neighboring communities to do everything in their power to protect the emigrants.

When he reached Parowan, the massacre had already occurred. He had come too late!

He described to me in detail his meeting with President Young. As he recounted the events of the massacre as far as he learned them, and he had every opportunity of knowing them intimately, President Young wept. The President did everything in his power to prevent any tragedy. He knew that if he failed his people, trained to live in peace and to give love for hate, they would be charged with the commission of the crime. He had suffered persecution with his people for many years. Moreover, he understood the horror of taking life.

The Latter-day Saints had been persecuted and driven from place to place since the beginning of the Church. He and the people prayed for peace to continue their work of redeeming the stubborn desert for human use. This terrible massacre would only intensify the hatred against the Latter-day Saints.

In righteous anger Brother Haslam defended to me as he had done in the courts and elsewhere Brigham Young against the charge of being an accessory to the criminal act of the Mountain Meadows Massacre. He was very convincing to me; and a boy is not easily fooled.

When later I read Brother Haslam's testimony in the question and answer method, as published in the *The Journal*, Logan, Utah, December 4, 1874, I became more than ever convinced that he told the whole and absolute truth, and that Brigham Young was wholly

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Questions of Youth

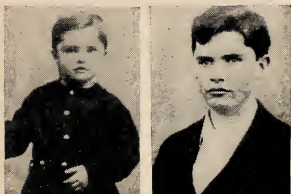


The family of J. Reuben Clark, Sr., about 1892. Left to right, front row, Mary Louise Woolley, John, Samuel, Alice, Lucille; back row, Esther, Elmer, J. Reuben, Jr., Edwin, and Frank. Gordon, the youngest child, was born in 1893.

The birthplace of J. Reuben Clark, Jr., Grantsville, Utah.



Two early photographs of President Clark.



At the time of his marriage, September 14, 1898.

Laucine Annetta Sovage Clark, his wife.



J. Reuben Clark, Jr., lower right, was graduated from the University of Utah in 1898 with a bachelor of science degree. Others in graduating class were: Ralph Vava Chamberlin, Mary Elizabeth Connelly (Mrs. Andrew Kimball). Second row, Roy Riggs (Mrs. David O. McKay); Herbert Thayer Hills, Albert Johannsen.



GRANTSVILLE. Tooele County, Utah, (population today 1,536) is one of the many little settlements founded by the Latter-day Saints when they set out to conquer the inhospitable and unfriendly desert in the Great Basin of North America. These towns became unwittingly social and economic experimental communities in which many of the problems that vex the nations were solved successfully. Out of them have come many of the strong men who have fostered the Church throughout the years.

The communities were much like large families; all knew one another; the sorrows or joys of one were the sorrows or joys of all. The towns were also melting pots of many nationalities. Americans, Scotch, and English, Germans, and Scandinavians, with a sprinkling of representatives of other lands rubbed shoulders there in the toil of subduing the desert. Everybody had to work, from childhood up, or starve. The desert was an implacable foe licking its chops to defeat the invaders. It did not

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want to be tamed. Life was very simple in these little towns. Simple food and simple pleasures were the order of the day; but there existed also high ambitions.

The cement which held them together was the gospel of Jesus Christ restored by the Prophet Joseph Smith. The guide in all undertakings was the same gospel. Every family prayed together daily; every social gathering was opened and closed with prayer; the day's labor was understood to be a contribution to the latter-day building of the kingdom of God; all serious conversations centered upon the eternal truths of existence, for which any price would be paid. Life in these settlements approached the hopes of men throughout the ages. No wonder Grantsville and the towns like it produced men great before God and powerful before their fellows.

It was into such a community (Grantsville) that Joshua Reuben Clark, Jr., an Apostle of the Church since October 1934, and member of the First Presidency since April 9, 1933, was born September 1, 1871.

It was in such an environment that he was trained; with such ideals he began his life's work. No wonder that as the youth carried

President Clark's wife and children about 1919. First row, J. Reuben Clark, III; Lucine (Mrs. Orval C. Fox); back row, Morianne (Mrs. Ivor Sharp); Sister Clark; Louise (Mrs. Mervyn S. Bennion).



President Clark as a major in the Judge Advocate General's Officers' Reserve Corps. 1917-1918. For his service he received the Distinguished Service medal.



REUBEN CLARK, JR.

Of The Gospel

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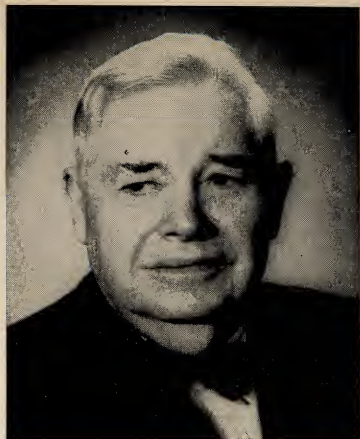
out the plan of his life's work, he succeeded and won the acclaim of his fellows.

He was wellborn. His father Joshua Reuben Clark, patriarch in the Church, was a veteran of the Civil War who came to Utah on his way to Montana, was caught by the truth of the restored gospel and returned to Utah. His mother was a daughter of Edwin D. Woolley of famous pioneer stock.

A persistence in the young man's character and a high ambition drove him on. Toil did not matter. He loved it; he was used to it. He was taught the dignity and necessity of work and has practised it all his life. He loved learning. He would have knowledge and would pay the price for it. So he moved from Grantsville's school (he has restored the building) to the Latter-day Saints University, now closed, then to the University of Utah where the regulation that required six years to graduate took its defeat from the sharp-witted student who graduated in four years. He was valedictorian of his class, editor of the school paper, president of the student body, leader in student

affairs, and walked off with all available collegiate honors.

Naturally he became a marked man among his fellows. The redoubtable Dr. James E. Talmage, later a member of the Council of the Twelve, recognized the qualities of mind and character of the young man and made him his assistant in the museum then in the making and also later when Dr. Talmage became president of the university. It was invaluable training to be under the tutelage of this great man, who loved accuracy so well that the letter "S" upside down on a page tore into his very soul. Pitifully small was the allowance—
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President J. Reuben Clark, Jr.



President Clark (left) at the time he presented his credentials as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States to Mexico in 1930 to President Ortiz Rubio.

In 1926, President J. Reuben Clark, Jr., as acting Secretary of State, with President Calvin Coolidge and Walter S. Gifford, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, on the occasion of opening the telephone line between the United States and Spain.



President Clark as a delegate to the seventh International Conference of American states, Montevideo, Uruguay. He is sixth from the right on the front row. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, is at the extreme left on the front row.





President Clark with his brothers and sister. Photograph taken recently in President Clark's library at his home.



The First Presidency of the Church from 1934 to 1945: President Heber J. Grant (center), President J. Reuben Clark, Jr., left, and President David O. McKay.

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ance for the service rendered, but it was a welcomed addition to the support of the learning-hungry, ambitious boy from Grantsville.

After graduation he married the girl of his choice, Luacine Savage, daughter of C. R. Savage, prominent pioneer and founder of the movement to honor old folk.

Words of Guidance

By PRESIDENT J. REUBEN CLARK, JR.

FROM B.Y.U. COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS, JUNE 7, 1949

WORK is the nearest substitute for genius, and genius without work is barren.

If more people had to work for a living, instead of talking for it, the world would be better off. Work for your living, the experience and habit may come in handy some time.

Beyond price are the worth and strength of men's trust in our integrity; their idle praise lends us no help.

A wise man learneth his own strength, but a fool thinketh he hath no weakness.

The censure of just men is our disgrace; but the jealous, cavilling of the unrighteous is our honor.

The bigotry of unbelief is just as tyrannical as the bigotry of belief. Men are prone to condemn and deride in others the abilities and qualities of character they do not themselves possess.

Do not declare as a vice in others a trait you claim as a virtue in yourselves.

Dignity is often the cloak with which vanity enshrouds mediocrity. Neither a facile pen nor a glib tongue is a necessary counterpart of wisdom.

It is greater, infinitely so, to lead men's minds than to conquer their bodies or control their wills.

Modesty and virtue are now going at such a premium that many people are closing out all they have.

The peace of an upright heart is more precious than place or power or riches.

Out of the mists and shadows of history comes the certainty of revelation—the voice of God.

Build around yourselves an impregnable fortress of righteousness, and then depart not from your citadel.

For your social contacts:

Weep not too much over the parting guest, lest he remain on and so dull the edge of hospitality; nor be too gay at his going lest he mistake your feeling and believe he has overstayed his welcome.

Throughout their lives together she carried nobly her part in the responsibilities and honors that came to them. She helped raise to useful, respected maturity their son and three daughters. When she died in 1944, a host of sorrowing friends spoke of her virtues, her competent, intelligent, ladylike qualities, and her devotion to the work of the Lord.

Five years of schoolteaching followed his university work, in Heber City, the Salt Lake Business College, and one year as principal of the Branch Normal School (now the Branch Agricultural College) at Cedar City. The good will he won in these places has followed him down the years.

But, as happens to all young men of ambition, he sought further preparation for life. So with borrowed money he crossed the continent with his wife and two small children, to Columbia University in New York City, to study law. There his power of logical analysis and his intellectual industry were recognized almost at once. From the earliest years he has had the ability to dig down to the bottom of things whether in statesmanship or religion. He became one of the editors of the *Columbia Law Review*. When one of the eminent professors was writing books, Elder Clark was called in to help, that is, to gather data, to arrange, and to edit. This not only helped eke out his slender purse but was also good training for the man who later was to do notable work in governmental and Church affairs. At length, the coveted LL.B. degree was won in

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1906. Now he could really begin his professional work.

His country needed him. His reputation had preceded him. So he stepped from the law school into the post of assistant solicitor for the state department under Elihu Root, then United States secretary of state. After four years of distinguished service there, he was appointed, in 1910, solicitor, the chief legal officer of the department of state, ranking as an assistant attorney general. Some years later, after he had gone into private practice, he was appointed under secretary of state, the second chief non-elective post in the department. During this service in the state department he moved more and more into the field of international law, in which he became a foremost authority and is so recognized today. Scores of cases of national importance, with his memoranda and conclusions, have been handed down to help workers in the state department and others of the present day. J. Reuben Clark, Jr., the Grantsville boy, won from his work in the United States state department an international reputation.

In 1913 he entered private practice in New York and Washington, D. C., but in 1917 he was called into official service again, commissioned a major in the Army of World War I and assigned to the judge advocate general's office. There he rendered help in formulating selective service regulations, in the procedure of demobilization, and in disposing of a barrage of problems arising as World War I went on and ended. It fell to him to formulate and rewrite the second selective service plan. In recognition of his war service he was awarded three

silver chevrons and the Distinguished Service medal.

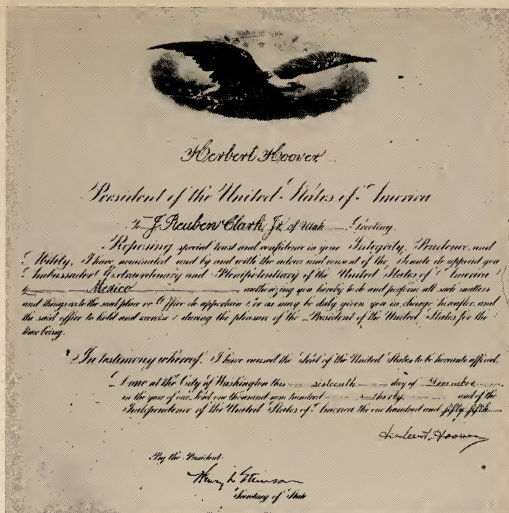
However his love of the gospel and for his beloved homeland led him and his life companion with their family back to their home heritage, the surroundings of their youth.

In 1921 he transferred his law practice to Salt Lake City. For five years he maintained his Salt Lake offices, constantly interrupted by calls for assistance from the federal government. In fact, after his resignation from the state department he received appointments and calls for help which occupied much of his time. There are so

many of them that it seems useless to repeat them. They range from the settlement of international difficulties to personal claims of citizens against this and foreign governments.

In 1927, Dwight W. Morrow, ambassador to Mexico, asked Elder Clark to become his legal adviser, since serious Mexican conditions needed solution by a well-informed and trustworthy person. While in this position he rendered outstanding service. From 1928 to 1930 he served as under secretary of state. He served less than two years but gave great service which is still recognized and used in governmental offices. Notable among them is his memorandum on the Monroe Doctrine, representing the views of the state department and the administration of the doctrine which today is one of the bulwarks of world peace.

In 1930 he was appointed U. S. ambassador to Mexico. During his three-year service he helped settle many an international controversy, such as the oil rights of foreigners in Mexico, the correct boundary lines between Mexico and the United States, the settlement of individual claims between the two coun-



President Clark served in important government positions under seven presidents of the United States. President Herbert Hoover appointed him Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Mexico in 1930.

Making friends with two of the colts raised on his farm.



Operating the valve which regulates the flow of water from an artesian well on his farm in Grantsville.





Machine sheds.



Bunkhouse.

FAITH, unity, cooperation, and hard work—all these traits have been demonstrated to a marked degree by Latter-day Saints in the Southern California area in the purchase and operation to date of what has been called "the most grand and glorious of all Church welfare projects," the Southern California region welfare ranch.

Situated in the center of the Perris Valley, Riverside County, seventy miles east southeast of the heart of Los Angeles and fifteen miles southeast of Riverside, this fabulous project includes 504½ acres of well-developed, irrigated farmland enclosed and divided by a six-foot-high, heavy-duty chain link fence, with posts set in concrete. On the property are forty-three well-cared for, modern buildings, forty feed sheds, and as many automatic watering troughs, a high pressure water system servicing all of the buildings, and an underground irrigation system supplied by seven pumping stations. Sufficient equipment to operate and maintain the entire farm is included.

The striking physical appearance of the farm and the utter vastness of the project are what impress a casual visitor most. The thirty-five miles of fencing was installed at a



One of the many modern barns.



One of forty feed sheds.

takes water to all parts of the property though eighteen-inch, underground pipes.

Equipment which came with the ranch includes five trucks, a station wagon, four tractors, three hay bailers, hay rakes, plows, harrows, and discs. Shops are completely equipped. There are modern accommodations to house comfortably ten families in separate units be-

sides the manager's residence and two guest cottages. In addition, literally hundreds of persons can be provided with sleeping quarters, and a large commissary, kitchen, and dining room are sufficient for almost any occasion. Literally everything needed to make a success of farming or ranching activities is at hand. It is indeed a dream project. Elder Henry D. Moyle of the Council of the Twelve stated on one occasion, "This farm is far beyond the imagination of any of us in the welfare program."

The story of how the ranch was obtained by the Church is a fascinating one. The property was formerly owned by Louis B. Mayer, noted motion picture producer. He is reported to have spent some two-and-one-half million dollars in developing the property and building it into the famous race horse breeding farm that it was. Such track greats as Your Host, Be Faithful, Honeymoon, and Stepfather knew the farm as their home.

Some three years ago Mr. Mayer sold the property to the Statler



Entrance to ranch. To the right of the gate can be seen the office building. The manager's residence is on the left.



Maintenance departments.

Hotel interests, who after operating the farm about a year decided to sell it to a charitable organization. One of the attorneys working on the sale knew of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

THE IMPROVEMENT ERA

WELFARE RANCH

By Doyle L. Green

MANAGING EDITOR

In the center of the Perris Valley, Riverside County, California, seventy miles from downtown Los Angeles, lies the Southern California region welfare ranch. This fabulous project, formerly a race horse breeding farm, includes 504½ acres of irrigated land, forty-three modern buildings and sufficient equipment to operate and maintain the entire farm. It is indeed a dream project.

and our welfare program and made a contact by letter to see whether the Church would be interested in buying the property.

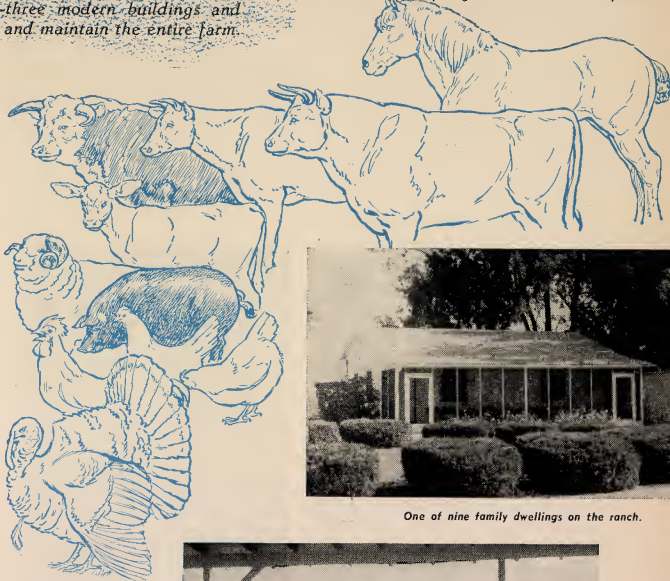
Months of investigation followed. First to visit the farm was Brother Moyle; next Elders Joseph Fielding Smith and Harold B. Lee inspected the property and made their report. A subsequent visit to the farm was made by Elder Lee and Elder and Sister Henry Jorgensen. Elder Jorgensen, now manager of the ranch, was then president of the Palo Alto Stake. He later spent about two months on the property making all types of tests and investigations. President David O. McKay was among the first to visit the ranch.

On the 19th and 20th of June, 1950, members of the stake presidencies of the ten stakes in the Southern California welfare region met with Brother Moyle on the

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Close-up of galvanized iron drive-in haybarn.



One of nine family dwellings on the ranch.



Kitchen, commissary, and dining room.



One of two beautifully landscaped paddocks surrounded by modern stables.



This former broodmare barn now houses hogs.



Fifteen hundred people gathered for historic meeting on June 8.

Welfare Ranch

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ranch and decided they would recommend to the people of their stakes that the ranch be purchased. The plan was to calculate all costs and expenses — and profits — on a per capita basis with everyone to share and share alike. They saw in the project an opportunity to turn a rich-man's play ranch into a project on which their welfare budgets could be produced.

Then on July 1 some eight hundred and fifty people, including stake presidencies, members of high councils, bishoppers, and their families gathered at the ranch. In the evening a barbecue was held, and afterwards about eight hundred persons met in an historic meeting in a large quonset hut which served as a hay barn. Representing the General Authorities of the Church at the meeting were Elders Lee, Moyle, Marion G. Romney, and Bishop LeGrand Richards.

All of the stake presidents spoke at the meeting as did the four General Authorities. In speaking of the ranch Elder Moyle said, "It seems to have come down from heaven and fallen in our laps. I don't know of a single project in the Church in our fourteen years history that has gone through in such a manner as this has today. I can truthfully say that associated as I have been with this project since the First Presidency turned over to us the first correspondence that I haven't heard

a discordant note, and one of the thrills of my life a week or two ago was to sit here in one of these buildings on this farm before we had taken it over, with your regional council . . . and I saw the unanimity with which they acted, inspired as they all were by the same spirit, to say to us as a general committee that



President J. Reuben Clark, Jr., addressing gathering at ranch.

they wanted to take this project over for the benefit of the people of southern California."

In instructing those present Brother Lee promised: "If you on this project will be a united people, if you will develop this welfare program to the limit of our expect-

—Pictures by William M. Walsh, Deseret News, and the author



Henry Jorgensen, manager of the Perris Ranch.

tations regarding it and our Heavenly Father's regarding us, you'll do more to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ than all the missionaries you will send out otherwise to do the same job. This is your opportunity, and here with this acquisition properly developed will come a greater influence and a greater appreciation for Latter-day Saint people in Southern California than you have ever experienced before."

The stakes and the wards at this meeting assumed the responsibility of raising, in two weeks time, \$100,000.00 to make a down payment on the property. The total amount seemed large, but actually it amounted to about only one dollar per capita. Even so some of the "poorer" wards thought they might have difficulty in raising the money. When the bishops placed the proposition before the people, there was a spontaneous response. A number of the wards raised double the amount required. One ward's share of the total was nine hundred dollars. During the first week only a small portion of the money was raised. In sacrament meeting the people were called upon again to participate. After the meeting a working girl turned over to the bishop ninety dollars that she had saved for her vacation. That started the landslide and before that week was over sixteen hundred dollars had been contributed in that ward alone.

In two weeks time the payment was made.

During the year that has passed since the property was taken over (July 26, 1950) work has gone steadily forward to turn the ranch into an efficient welfare project. The balmy southern California climate produces six or seven crops of alfalfa a year, and the barns are bulging with baled hay. The lush, year-round pastures where once grazed the "elite of turfdom" now furnish feed for rapidly growing herds of beef cattle, dairy cows and sheep, and flocks of chickens. What was formerly a broodmare barn is now an extensive hog house. A former stallion barn, constructed with varnished, knotty pine stalls, is being

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"I had never fished with anything better than a willow pole. . . ."

The Great White Plume... By Mark Hager

MR. HONAKER's big store stocked some fishing rods and reels that made my heart ache one spring, for I'd never fished with anything better than a willow pole.

It was Friday evening that I first saw them in the store window, and next day would be Saturday and no school, and I could fish! I slipped inside where some other boys were buying them and picked one up. I tried it for swing and balance, and the cork grip felt good in my hand.

Then I looked at the price tags. The cheapest one was three dollars. Three dollars was big money to me when I was fourteen because my money had to come from my mother's money cup on top of the kitchen cabinet.

Yet other boys seemed to have no trouble in raising three or five dollars, and they could buy fishing rods and reels. Even old Mrs. Wimmer—she must have been past seventy, and Mr. Wimmer dead, and her a widow—she could have

money. While I looked at the new fishing rods and reels, I saw Mrs. Wimmer back in the store with Ethel, her little granddaughter, who had been staying with old Mrs. Wimmer after Mr. Wimmer died.

Mrs. Wimmer was trying on a new spring hat. I remember the great plume in the hat . . . misty and quivery, and how Mrs. Wimmer's eyes danced when she put it on and looked at herself in the big mirror.

I remember hearing her talking to old man Honaker about how she loved spring hats with white plumes, and her talk sounded curious to me. She said she had as much right to bloom out in the springtime as the old apple tree did, and then she went on to tell how the blossoms seemed to be whiter with each new springtime.

"Yes," she said, "the old tree's dying, twig by twig, but I reckon the last blossom will be just as white and gay. . . ."

Then she tossed three dollars on

the counter and placed the hat with the quivering plume back in the big round box.

As I hurried home, I wondered whether I could coax my mother out of three dollars to buy me a new fishing rod and reel so that I would not be ashamed to fish with the other boys.

When I got home, I slung my book strap across a chair back and started for the kitchen to feel in the money cup, but I backed out. I had to wait until my mother went out of the kitchen. We kids knew always to feel in the cup first to see whether she had the money before asking her, for it always seemed to hurt her if she didn't have money when we asked for it.

When she went out, I slipped in, and felt in the cup, but there were only the three silver dollars. Each of the dollars had the year on it that one of us kids was born, and I knew it was no use asking my mother for these silver dollars, so I just went

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“AND it is pleasing unto me that they [meats] should . . . be used, only in times of winter, or of cold, or famine.” (D. & C. 89: 13.)

For ideal health, meat, like all other good foods, should be eaten sparingly.^{15*} We have learned from science as well as from the Latter-day Saint scriptures, that cold

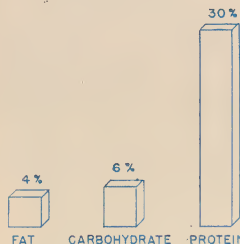


Fig. 1. Specific dynamic action (S.D.A.) of various foods. The percentage indicated shows the amount of increased metabolism (heat) stimulated by that particular food.²

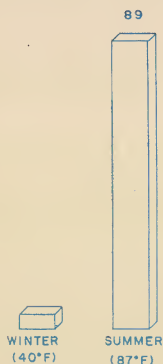


Fig. 2. Excess heat calories from equal meat meals in winter and in summer.³

weather is the best time to eat meat. Many have interpreted this scriptural admonition given more than a hundred and eighteen years ago as simply a warning against meat spoilage before the days of modern refrigeration. There are good physiological reasons, however, for meat being a better winter food than a summer food.^{1 2 3 4 5}

During warm weather meat eat-

*Numbers refer to bibliography at end of article.

MEAT is for

ing interferes with the mechanism that aids in the loss of excess body heat.¹ This interference is called the specific dynamic action (S.D.-A.) of meat. (See Fig. 1.) For this reason, a low protein diet is more logical than one high in protein in warm weather.¹ Especially, hard workers who are exposed to the sun, humidity, and industrial sources of heat should be interested in how much meat they consume during hot weather. (See Fig. 2.) It is understood that protein is needed daily throughout life for growth or for repair of wornout tissue; but protein is found in vegetables as well

as animal flesh. We are here discussing meat rather than protein because meat is the protein source most likely to be overeaten. One seldom overeats vegetable and grain proteins.

The S. D. A. is explained⁶ as follows: When an animal with a basal metabolism of 100 calories daily is given 100 calories of food in the form of protein, his metabolism is stimulated to the extent of 130 calories (thirty percent increase). In the case of carbohydrates, this amounts to six percent and for fats it is four percent. (See Fig. 1.)

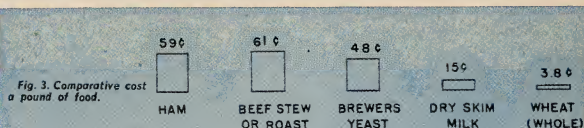


Fig. 3. Comparative cost a pound of food.

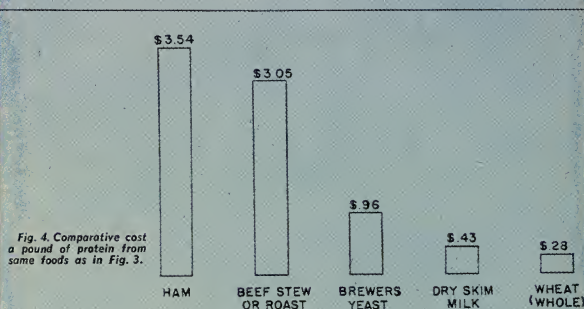


Fig. 4. Comparative cost a pound of protein from same foods as in Fig. 3.

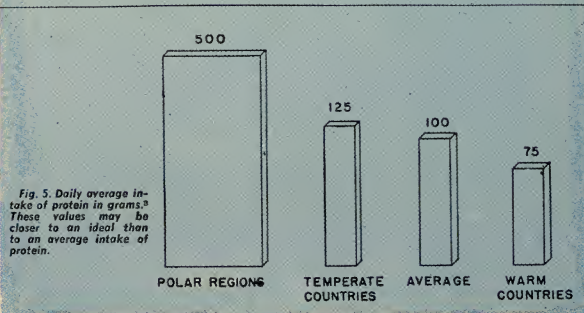


Fig. 5. Daily average intake of protein in grams.⁸ These values may be closer to an ideal than to an average intake of protein.

WINTER, COLD, or FAMINE

By Harold L. Snow, M. D.

A person is twice taxed by eating more meat than he needs: first, by the fact that meat is our most expensive food (See Figs. 3 and 4), and second, by the thirty percent increase in the calorie requirement when he eats the proteins of meat.⁶ Then when meat is used in hot weather, one's burden is further increased by the additional tax on one's body-cooling mechanism.¹ This additional burden may act as a "last straw," sufficient in hard

workers to result in heat exhaustion or heat stroke.⁷ There is an important relationship, therefore, between the amount of meat and other proteins in the diet during hot weather and one's general comfort, working efficiency, and susceptibility to heat exhaustion and heat stroke.

Heat exhaustion results from

fatigue of the body-cooling system and circulation with excessive loss of body salt and fluids from sweating.⁸ But heat stroke follows an actual breakdown of the body-cooling system with paralysis of temperature regulation and the sweat gland function.⁷

Although sometimes absent, warning symptoms may be present in both of these body heat disorders. Heat exhaustion victims may experience muscle cramps of the abdomen or extremities; heat stroke victims may experience disturbances of vision, restlessness, and headache. Both conditions may be preceded by nausea and dizziness. The heat exhaustion victim more likely will have a pale face with temperature normal or subnormal, whereas a person with heat stroke shows a flushed face, and his temperature may be 107° or higher.

The heat exhaustion victim should be given fluids and stimulants and should be kept warm but not overheated; the heat stroke victim should be removed to a cool place and given

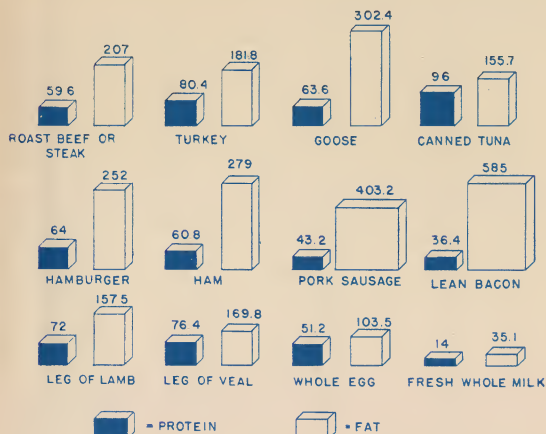


Fig. 6. The numbers represent calories of protein or of fat in 100 grams of the food indicated. Although most meats contain about 17 to 18 percent protein, most meats supply considerably more fat calories than protein calories.¹⁰

cool packs on head, neck, and extremities.

With heat as the primary evil connected with these occupational diseases, avoidance of any excess body heat like that produced by meat eating¹ is logical.

During a ninety-day period, thirty-two victims of heat prostration and sun stroke were reported to the Los Angeles health department in the summer of 1949.⁷ Many others, no doubt, suffered from the heat to a greater or lesser degree without being reported to the health department. Some of these reported victims lost up to ten days from their work. Only one died. This

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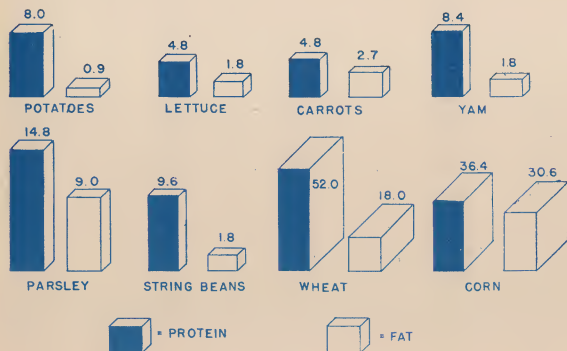


Fig. 7. The numbers represent calories of fat and of protein in 100 grams of the food indicated. Most vegetables and grains contain considerably fewer fat calories than protein calories.¹⁰

MEAT IS FOR WINTER, COLD, OR FAMINE

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was during the night following heat exposure.

Carbohydrates and fats are our chief energy foods. They serve for the laborer at all seasons.⁹ However, fats are superior to carbohydrates in wintertime because of greater needs of the body for heat as well as its usual needs for energy during cold weather. Many fats are also an important winter source of vitamins A and D.¹⁰ Fats are less desirable than carbohydrate foods for a source of summer energy. Fats, if eaten to excess, may be stored under the skin¹¹ where they serve to insulate the body against heat loss. People living in cold climates are known to consume large quantities of meat and fat. (See Fig. 5.) Meat, consisting of both protein and fat, is one of our chief sources of fat. (See Fig. 6.)

Vegetables and most grains have considerably fewer fats than protein calories (See Fig. 7) and contain no cholesterol. Cholesterol is a fatlike substance present in all human as well as animal fats and oils, but it is present in increased concentration in most gallstones, cancer tissue, and in the walls of arteries of patients with diabetes and arteriosclerosis (hardening of the arteries).¹² The relationship of dietary cholesterol to diseases is still controversial.¹⁴

A wide variety of vegetables and grains must be used, however, if they alone are to supply adequate proteins.¹³

People living in warmer climates eat less meat and less fat⁸ than do those living in colder climates (See Figs. 5 and 8), suggesting less physiological need for meat and fat during hot weather.

Many hard workers think meat eating is necessary for energy, and for this as well as for other reasons, they eat excessively of meat. In hot weather only that amount of protein is needed that will prevent a negative protein balance (loss of body proteins). For this purpose grains, milk, and vegetables can suffice.¹³

There is practically no S. D. A. from proteins used for tissue replacement only.² Therefore, during famine when proteins are needed for tissue replacement (even in

hot weather), there is no overheating of the body from meat eating.

A California asphalt road contractor recently complained of experiencing attacks of headache, dizziness, and disturbances of vision usually occurring in the afternoon while on hot paving jobs. He and all his men took extra salt tablets regularly during hot weather. As he had been a fairly heavy meat eater, he was advised to eat mostly vegetables, fruits, melons, grains, cereals, breads, and milk or buttermilk, and temporarily, at least, to eliminate meat.

Two weeks later he reported having had no more attacks of headache, dizziness, or visual disturbances. He further stated that a large Negro, who ordinarily was his strongest asphalt worker, proved to be the first to suffer from heat. The Negro was a heavy meat eater.

One extremely hot day, four men, all but one in the asphalt crew, became stuporous from the heat and went into shock. The one unaffected man was an Italian vegetarian.

It is extremely difficult but not impossible to maintain adequate nutrition with a purely vegetarian diet.¹⁵ Cereals, legumes, leafy and other vegetables, as well as melons, nuts, and various fruits, should be eaten when meat is not used. But if eggs and dairy products are to be included, it is easily possible,

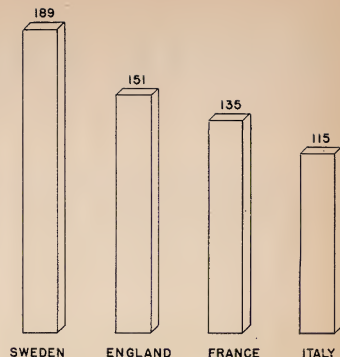


Fig. 8. Daily grams of protein consumed by laborers doing hard work and having perfect freedom of choice in their food.¹ This, of course, is a higher amount of protein than in their usual daily food.

without overloading the digestive tract, to arrange a diet which will provide sufficient protein and will permit an adequate caloric intake.¹³

According to Bogert, only 31/3 percent of the daily food calories need be derived from animal sources.¹⁷ (See Fig. 9.)

For most people in hot weather the animal protein need can thus be satisfied by including a quart of milk or buttermilk in the daily diet.¹⁶ When dairy products are used in place of meat as a summer source of animal protein, it is less easy to overeat of protein and fat than when meats constitute a large part of the diet. (See Fig. 6.)

Milk is one of the highest-quality proteins from a biological standpoint. (See Fig. 10.) The plentiful and inexpensive proteins of potatoes and whole wheat stand less than ten percent below the average meat protein in the table of biological values. (See Fig. 10.) Potatoes and wheat are also good calorie foods for cold as well as for hot weather.¹⁸ Potato and grain proteins are not as complete from the standpoint of essential amino acids as are the animal proteins. But potatoes and grains are of great value in the diet and can suffice in summer when supplemented by dairy products and a good variety of fruits and vegetables.¹³

During the war years the British reported improved national health when there was a forced reduction in the amount of meat, refined car-

DELIGHT IN WORDS

By Richard F. Armknecht

To be in love with words, round words or rough,

To carry their sharp savor on the tongue—
This is a joy to number prime among
Those joys which grow with time. It is enough

In youth to sense the vague, resplendent

Behind their meanings. We, no longer young,

Their old familiars, know the changes rung

To sound them suave or simple, tense or tough.

Nor is there any end to this delight.
We spend, and still our purses benefit.
We bake anew the selfsame meal and leaven

To richer loaves. The verses we recite
Are ours still better, still more stoutly knit

To capture all of earth and half of heaven.

bohydrates, and processed foods available.¹⁹ At the same time, there had been increased consumption of vegetables and nearly-whole-grain cereals and bread.¹⁹ This type of diet, if adopted during hot summer months, should not only improve a person's general health, but it should also help to insure him against heat exhaustion and heat stroke as well as afford greater general bodily comfort.

The following summer diet, as an example, should satisfy the needs of even a hard worker:

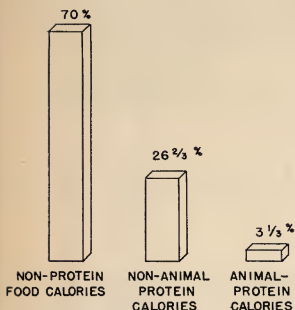


Fig. 9. Percentage of daily food calories that should be derived from various food groups.¹⁷ The 3 1/3 percent minimum food calories to be supplied from animal sources may be more than satisfied in an average daily diet by the use of a quart of milk or buttermilk.

Breakfast: Whole grain cereal, milk, potatoes, fruit, bread, and butter.

Lunch: Corn on cob or brown rice, potatoes or baked beans, buttermilk, cheese, peanut butter sandwich using whole wheat bread, raw

carrots, green salad, and fresh fruit, watermelon.

Supper: Squash or yam, peas, string beans, green salad, potatoes, milk or buttermilk, whole wheat bread and butter, fruit, and cheese.

SUMMARY

1. Heat predisposes hard workers to heat exhaustion and heat stroke.
2. Through their specific dynamic action (S.D.A.), meat and other proteins supply more excess heat than do other foods.
3. Less meat and less fat are eaten by people in warmer climates than by those living in colder climates.
4. The British people reported improved health during World War II (in cold as well as in warm weather) by reduced consumption of meat and refined foods, while increasing their use of vegetables and whole grain products.
5. An adequate summer supply of proteins, fats, calories, vitamins, and minerals can be obtained without the use of meat.
6. One is more comfortable and more able to work efficiently in hot weather when one obtains most of his daily protein supply from grains, milk, fruits, and vegetables instead of from meat.
7. Fats are rich sources of calories. Fats also insulate the body against heat loss.
8. Because of the ease of preparation of meat and due to its delightful taste, it is easy to overeat of meat, and hence to

overeat of both protein and of fat during hot weather.

CONCLUSIONS

It is wise to avoid the use of meat on hot days except in times of famine or "negative nitrogen balance."

Also it should be a comfort to faithful Church members who abstain from the use of meat during hot weather to remember the words of the Lord regarding this abstinence: "... it is pleasing unto me."

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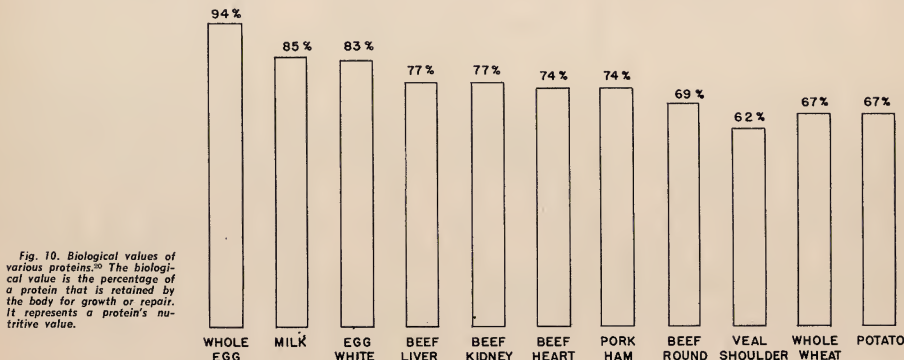
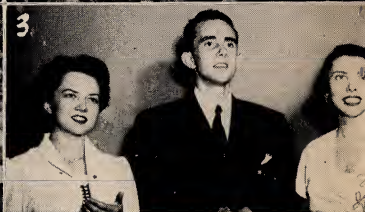


Fig. 10. Biological values of various proteins.²⁰ The biological value is the percentage of a protein that is retained by the body for growth or repair. It represents a protein's nutritive value.



"CHOOSE YOU



TO SINGLE out any one feature of the 1951 June conference, which convened June 15, 16, 17, would obviously be unfair to the integrated program which the Mutual Improvement Associations offer the membership of the Church. Some of the features are naturally more spectacular than others, permitting of glorious culmination through mass participation by the membership of the Mutual. However, each department is part of the woof of the whole fabric that is M. I. A.; each activity is woven into the warp of the departments.

Dance, song, drama, speech, and department sessions all lent their particular color to the pageant of June conference. Now one, now another took the spotlight until all blended together in perfect co-

General Superintendency and General Presidency of the Young Men's and Young Women's Mutual Improvement Associations: Left to right, Emily H. Bennett, First Counselor; Bertha S. Reeder, General President; LaRue C. Longden, Second Counselor; A. Walter Stevenson, First Assistant; Elbert R. Curtis, General Superintendent; David S. King, Second Assistant, (standing) right.



new to make a completely satisfactory blend for old-timers and newcomers alike. To the young folk who participated it was an unforgettable experience. As one young woman said, "It's wonderful to know that there are all these who believe as I do. I had no idea that there were this many young people in the world who are Latter-day Saints." The concept of a world-wide Church was beginning its formation in her young mind, as in the minds of thousands of others who, coming from Canada, Mexico, Hawaii, and most states of the United States, found new friendships and renewed older acquaintances.

Wednesday and Thursday, June 13 and 14, the Young Women's camp and sport institutes brought into activity people who traveled to Salt Lake ahead of the regular June conference dates that they might participate. About three hundred gathered at the Tracy Wigwam in Mill Creek Canyon on Wednesday and four hundred at Jordan Park on Thursday. The friendliness and relaxation that these days afforded and the concrete help given propelled those who came into an increased participation during the remaining days of the conference.

Sports, campfire building, safety measures, storytelling, games, handicrafts all came in for their share of the programs for these days. A turkey barbecue and program around the campfire completed the Wednesday evening program, while the Thursday afternoon program ended early enough to permit attendance at the speech and drama festival in the evening.

This festival was enthusiastically

received. The well-staged presentation of *Men of Galilee* with a cast of nearly fifty characters, all beautifully costumed, made a lasting impression. In addition, two roadshows, "How Long Is Forever," presented by a large cast from the Lovell Ward of Big Horn Stake, Wyoming, and "The Skeptical Tree," by the Bonneville Ward, Bonneville Stake, Salt Lake City, were well received as was the speech part of the festival. Impromptu and prepared speeches together with an imaginary trip around Temple Square and a scriptural presentation kept the audience intensely alert to the possibilities of speech activity.

Friday morning June conference officially opened with the reception on Temple Square at which the general superintendency and the general presidency with members of the general boards greeted the visiting Mutual Improvement officers, teachers, and members. Adding to the colorful gold and green banners of the M. I. A. lining the two walks were the gold leis which the Hawaiian delegates presented to each general board member. At nine-thirty a.m., the morning session convened. The stirring address of Elder Ezra Taft Benson of the Council of the Twelve and adviser to the M. I. A. climaxed the dramatization which indicated the line of authority and the responsibility of each officer in the Mutual to each other, to the bishop, to the stake president and high council adviser. The poignant presentation of the theme and reading course brought home to everyone present the need of young people for effective leadership. At the

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THIS DAY..."

By Marba C. Josephson

ASSOCIATE MANAGING EDITOR

ordination with a resultant response not soon to be forgotten by any who saw and heard.

Behind the activities that called forth expressions of wonder and delight from the thousands of auditors lay the year's work in wards and stakes which made possible the glorious conference that called Mutual workers from all over the Church to attendance.

The traditional mingled with the

JUNE CONFERENCE IN PICTURES

1. Music Festival, Salt Lake Tabernacle
2. Dance Festival, University of Utah Stadium.
3. Thirty thousand persons attended.
3. Participants in speech festival: Ruth Noall, Ellen Nielsen, and Darrell Renstrom.
4. Sister Ruth May Fox, ninety-seven years young, General President of the Y.W.M.I.A. 1929-1937, addressing the stake superintendents and presidents at a luncheon at Hotel Utah
5. One of the more than five thousand persons registering at June Conference
6. Golden Gleaner banquet, Union Building, University of Utah
7. Roadshow act, presented by Bonneville Ward, as part of the Drama and Speech Festival
8. Group attending conference from the Las Vegas 1st and 2nd wards
9. Winners of the All-Church Relay meet, University of Utah Stadium, front row, left to right, Don Stauffer and Ernest Pease. Second row, Ronald Prince, Coach William H. Prince, Superintendent Elbert R. Curtis, and Raymond Fairbanks.
10. Scouts and their leaders preparing barbecued turkey, at Young Women's Camp Institute, at the Wigwam, Mill Creek Canyon
11. Reception line on Tabernacle grounds

—Pictures courtesy Deseret News

"CHOOSE YOU THIS DAY..."



ERA citations presented: Left to right: John A. Widtsoe, editor; Carl W. Cooke, South Los Angeles Stake; John D. Giles, business manager; Glenna Robertson, Southern States Mission; Richard L. Evans, editor.

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conclusion of this dramatization booklets were passed to the audience, introducing the 1951-1952 theme: "Choose you this day whom ye will serve . . . as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." (Joshua 24:15.) The sermonette, "We Are Not Alone," by Elder Richard L. Evans of the First Council of the Seventy was included in the theme folder.

Elder Benson in his address fired all present with his charge: Provide leadership to meet the demands of youth. True leaders, he said, would not easily become discouraged or weary or fearful of their assignment. Such leaders would have true humility, which precludes timidity, weakness, and fear. For M. I. A. workers it is most important to recall often what Elder Benson said that the M. I. A. is not an optional program but is an integral part of the Church program, presided over and directed by the priesthood of the Church.

In the morning session Superintendent Elbert R. Curtis and President Bertha S. Reeder expressed their gratitude for those who lead the Mutuals in the wards and stakes and admonished them to live according to the doctrines and standards of the Church. President Reeder said that if we could

live our religion we would be given the power of discernment and be blessed mightily for our efforts. Superintendent Curtis stressed the



MIA Maids who participated in the department session held in Ensign Ward chapel on Saturday.

necessity of a testimony as a further safeguard in leading youth.

At the afternoon session Elders Matthew Cowley of the Council of the Twelve, Richard L. Evans of the First Council of the Seventy,

Presentation of 1951-52 Theme in general session in Tabernacle. The participants were, left to right, Joan Judkins, Minnie Anderson, Aldon J. Anderson, Joe Jensen, and Dorothea Cutler.



and Thorpe B. Isaacson of the Presiding Bishopric addressed the session. Elder Cowley spoke of the great influence of the Mutual in far-off New Zealand and the respect with which this auxiliary is held by non-members. Elder Evans praised the efforts of those who have assured the success of THE IMPROVEMENT ERA campaign. Particularly he praised those in the field whose exceptional missionary zeal had accomplished unbelievable results. Elder Isaacson stressed the importance of personal attention to each boy and girl to see that their names are on the records and that they are in attendance at Mutual. He stressed furthermore the need for more recreation, especially spiritualized recreation.

The afternoon presentation indicated the importance of five meetings to carry forward the Mutual Improvement assignment satisfactorily.

The Golden Gleaner banquet and the Master M Men breakfast indicated the growth of these plus programs of the Mutual. Eight hundred and fifty Golden Gleaners attended the banquet; two hundred and fifty Master M Men made reservations for the breakfast.

A new feature of the conference was the track meet which occurred prior to the dance festival on Friday evening. From this commendable beginning, this sports event will grow even more as have other special features of Mutual.

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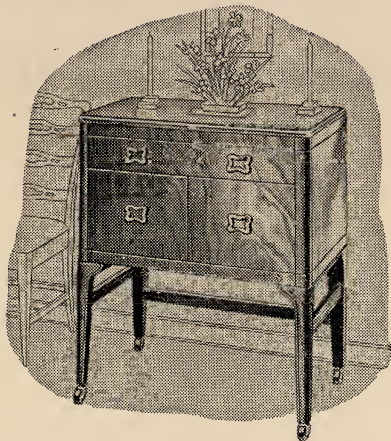
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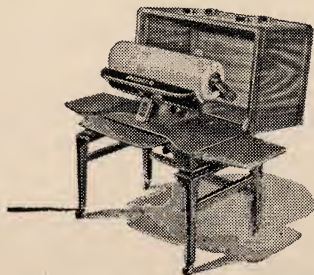
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Youth and Religion

By Joanne Davey

IT has been said that more men have died from the lack of hope than from the lack of bread. Men need hope to cling to, to face life and the future. I offer religion as that hope: religion—for which every living person is eligible; religion—that offers *world* citizenship, as the kingdom of God knows no bounds; religion—that offers opportunity for all, where rich and poor alike mingle and work together, searching for the common goal of happiness.

Religion doesn't require any special theological training or a full wallet to insure the recipient a complete and worth-while life. It is a kind of life insurance that offers untold dividends in peace of mind and happiness. Through small daily payments, one gains much more than one could ever pay into it.

I suggest you take out a policy with your God, the Divine Creator. He stands at the head of this great company, and a more generous or perfect Counselor could never be found. His "line" is never busy, and he is always available when you need him.

The payments are small and simple and are easy to "pay." You don't have to mortgage your home or your car to meet them. All that is necessary to reap the highest benefits from this great plan, is to follow a few words of advice given by this great Counselor to make life easier and more satisfying.

A smile, a friendly greeting, a word of comfort are often all that it takes to make your first instal-

The author, an outstanding graduate of her high school, gave this advice to her class.

ment. Loving your neighbor and doing unto others as you would have them do unto you are simple payments. Honoring and respecting your elders and listening to the words of advice that they can give to you is another type of payment. Always being ready and willing to help others at all times constitutes one of the most important and profitable payments.

—Photograph by Harold M. Lambert

CONTRIBUTIONS by young people of the Church to *Through the Eyes of Youth* will be welcomed by the editors of THE IMPROVEMENT ERA. Each manuscript submitted will be carefully considered and, if accepted, will be paid for at regular rates.

Articles must be well-written, 800 to 1500 words in length, and written on subjects of vital interest and concern to the young people of the Church. Church standards, ideals, and teachings, of course, must be upheld.

A few "don'ts" are also included in this list of rules and regulations, and the world would be a much better place in which to live if more people would keep these payments up-to-date. In this category are such things as not committing murder or adultery, not stealing, not lying, and not spreading false and malicious gossip.

These are some of the payments that you make on your policy, day by day, building your account and reaping the benefits from it. If perchance you do fall behind in your payments, you have the opportunity of making them up by using your repentance plan, and nothing will be counted against you.

I've told you some of the things you "pay" into it, now let's consider some of the dividends:

It provides you with a high standard of living, and in times like these that is important.

It offers the tested and true experiences of others in helping you to chart your own life course.

You receive comfort in time of sorrow, and gain faith in things to come.

You enjoy fellowship with others on the very highest level.

You are provided with a definite goal and an ideal to work toward.

You gain faith in yourself and in the future.

You are offered a plan that can satisfy the innermost depths of your soul.

You receive peace of mind and happiness, and after all, what is more important in this life than those goals.

My plea for this spiritual awakening is to take out a policy with your God, and live up to your beliefs, to give you faith in yourself and in the future. As Jesus said, "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" (Mark 8:36.)

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Scene from a Hill ~ By Miles D. Blanchard

RECENTLY I stood on the brow of a Vermont hill and looked down at a series of dilapidated, weather-beaten buildings. Thirty-five years ago the scene was extremely different. The buildings had paint on them, the yard was neatly kept, and there was evidence of work and toil. Something had happened, not only to the buildings and the farm land but, I am convinced, also to the people who had since owned the property. The front yard was littered and the rest of the land gone to seed. The barns were rotting on their foundations. The house had been without paint or care for well over a generation. And as I stood and gazed on the decay of not only physical property but also of character, I couldn't help drawing some comparisons.

My grandfather had owned that farm. Before him his father had possessed it, and before him, his grandfather. There had been a pride connected with the maintenance of the property—the pride of possession and the pride of tradition.

I confess to some confusion in my own mind about the modern approach towards living. I am not a farmer, and what I say may be born out of ignorance, and yet my memory serves me well, and I can remember the life my grandfather lived.

He arose each morning at dawn in the summer and before dawn in the winter. He milked sixteen to twenty cows by hand; he separated his cream; he kept a couple of hundred hens; he had eight or ten pigs; always at least one team of horses; he raised bees; and often he added turkeys and geese to his stock. And every one of these things meant just one word—work. In the winter he did it alone, as a rule, and in the summer he hired help for the haying season.

HIS money came from the sale of his produce in a town over fifteen miles away, and to get there on Fridays he would get up at two-thirty, pack his produce wagon, and drive that distance, peddling eggs, butter, and meat from house to house.

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ALTHOUGH a progressive man, Grandfather never did put in gas lighting. His theory was to go to bed when it got dark and get up when it got light.

I suppose my grandfather was a radical in his early days, for he was the first in that section to pipe water into his house. He found a natural well over a mile from the house and fed the water to his home by gravity. Yet he seemed never quite to trust the contraption, because his well was always clean and ready for use. When it was suggested that if he wanted to have a telephone, it would be necessary for him to cut the poles, he did exactly that, and he was one of the first to have the newfangled device in his house. He never did put in gas lighting because his theory was to go to bed when it got dark and get up when it got light. The interim between the two could be illuminated by kerosene lamps and lanterns.

Grandfather was a religious man. He had morning devotions to which he invited whatever hired help might be working. Some came, and some didn't, but all had a deep respect for his religious convictions. But when it came to going to church, there was no automobile to carry them. On Sundays he and his wife had to get up earlier than usual in order to get the chores done, and then there was a two-and-a-half-mile drive to the village. After anywhere from sixty to ninety minutes spent in divine worship, there would be the ride back to the farm. Work, except for the neces-

sary labor, was never performed on the Sabbath.

Often it was necessary for Grandfather to borrow money. This was accomplished by his going to a man in the town who had it. Sometimes notes were signed; at other times the whole transaction was conducted on a "gentleman's agreement." The theory was that a man's word was as good as his bond. It worked. Perhaps this was because my grandfather had proved the accuracy of the saying, for I recall that at one time he sold some lambs to a city buyer to be delivered when they were grown sheep. Later another buyer offered him more money for them, and he explained that they were sold. The second buyer asked if he had any "writings" on the deal, and my grandfather said that he hadn't. What, then, was to stop him from accepting more money? And Grandfather simply replied, "My word."

He paid his taxes, but he had to keep the roads on his property in condition himself, cutting out the brush and doing the grading. He



never knew what a subsidy check looked like and would have probably thought that a revolution had taken place if one had come to him. He had only about a thousand dollars to his name when he passed on, but the whole town turned out to his funeral because they knew he had made more than money—he had made a name for honesty and integrity.

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ON THE Bookrack

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF TEACHING

(Asahel D. Woodruff. Longmans, Green and Company, Inc., New York. 617 pages. \$4.75.)

THE third edition of this excellent book has been completely revised and rewritten. The subject matter is presented in such simple, everyday language that teacher, student, and parents will find the reading enjoyable.

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SMILE POSTS OF SATISFACTION

(John P. Lillywhite. Zuidam Printing Co., Utrecht, Holland. 1950. 209 pages. \$1.25.)

THE second edition of this book has just arrived. President Lillywhite of the Netherlands Mission has made several revisions and enlarged the volume.

The book has come out of the spirit of perspective of the mission field. Its messages are addressed primarily to missionaries, but they will be helpful to people everywhere. Our time has need of emphasizing the subjects treated in this volume.

The thirty-three chapters, each dealing with a subject of importance in life, make up a splendid panorama of things and thoughts necessary in the building of a happy life.

The second edition should find as wide and helpful a circulation as the first.

Smile Posts means merely stopping places along the road of life at which time we take time to think and to take measure of new things to do.

—J. A. W.

THE ART OF GROUP DISCIPLINE

(Rudolph M. Wittenberg. Association Press, New York. 1951. 124 pages. \$3.00.)

TO Latter-day Saints this book will provide helpful direction in leadership of groups. One statement among many that need to be dwelt on is worthy of emblazoning on the leader's heart: "From the point of view of leadership technique and discipline in the individual, the goal is not to impose the leader's standards, however gently, but to raise the group's level of independence." While not all situations prevail in Latter-day Saint class conditions, the philosophy behind the book is invaluable to the leader who would take his assignment seriously and do his job well.—M. C. J.

MORE FISH TO FRY

(Beatrice Cook. William Morrow & Co., New York. 1951. 280 pages. \$3.00.)

SELDOM could anything be more refreshing on a hot summer's day than to pick up this book and hie away to a pleasurable vacation in the San Juan islands of the Pacific Northwest. With the Cook family the reader will be introduced into the friendly life of the islanders—and the thrilling life of a fisherman and fisherwoman, with two small boys intent on living to the full their hours of release. How to relax in the out-of-doors and get more from life in general oozes from the book.—M. C. J.

HEAVY HANGS THE GOLDEN GRAIN

(Seuman MacManus. The Macmillan Company, New York. 1950. 199 pages. \$3.00.)

THIS delightful collection of Irish folk tales will prove helpful to parents and teachers who can frequently drive home a message in a concrete form much better than by exposition or preachment.

—M. C. J.

HOW TO WRITE BETTER, by Rudolph Flesch; SELF-UNDERSTANDING, by William C. Menninger.

(Science Research Associations, 228 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago 4, Illinois. 1951. Yearly subscription \$3.50.)

THESE two booklets of the Better Living series are worth introducing

to young people—and to older folk who lead young people. Dr. Menninger has won widespread recognition for his work in psychiatry. This information, in compact form, will prove especially helpful to the leader who desires to do an intelligent job with teen-agers. "How to Write Better" will assist all young people who have to write themes, book reviews, or reports of various kinds.—M. C. J.

GETTING ALONG WITH BROTHERS AND SISTERS, Frances Ullman; WHERE ARE YOUR MANNERS, Barbara Valentine Hertz; HELPING YOUTH CHOOSE CAREERS, J. Anthony Humphreys; HELPING CHILDREN READ BETTER, Paul Witty. (Science Research Associates, Chicago, Illinois. Yearly subscription to the series, \$3.50.)

THIS series of publications has proved most provocative and valuable. Written by experienced people in the various fields treated, the brochures include material most valuable and essential to the young person—and to the leaders of young people. The material is practical and usable; and it affords an unusual insight into the possibilities of the direction that youth interest may take.—M. C. J.

THE RIN TIN TIN STORY

(James W. English. Dodd-Mead Co., New York. 1949. 247 pages. \$2.75.)

PROBABLY no dog has been more famous than Rin Tin Tin, who in the early days of the movies further proved the ability of the German police dog. This book will be enjoyed by all the members of the family—and will be read again and again. The ability of the dog is outdistanced by the courage and ability of the master who, finding the dog in a dugout at the end of World War I, trained it, and its son and grandson, and rebuilt a life after the depression years had dispelled his fortune.—M. C. J.

FAMOUS PETS OF FAMOUS PEOPLE

(Mae Smith. Dodd-Mead Company, New York. 1950. 197 pages. \$2.50.)

IN the preface to the book, the author mentions that this is a companion book to *Famous Dogs of Famous People*, because she found so many other kinds of pets; for instance, Carl Sandburg's pedigreed goats; the mouse of

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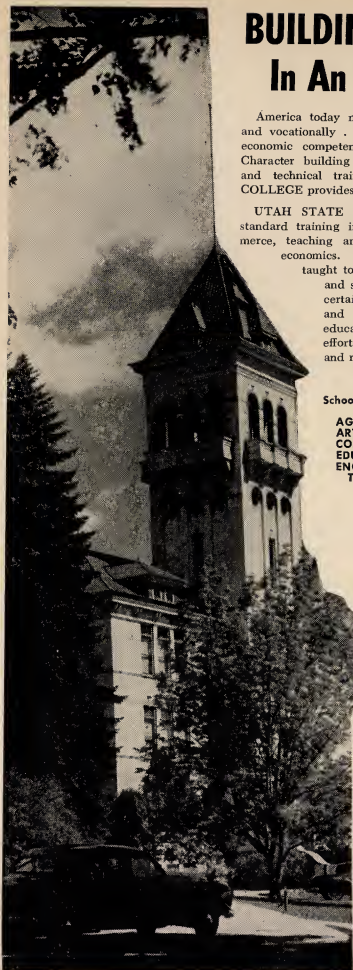
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—M. C. J.

BEHOLD YOUR QUEEN

(Gladys Malvern. Longmans. Green & Co., New York. 1951. 218 pages. \$2.50.)

THIS fictionalized story of Esther in the Bible will be well-received by young girls, who, in turn, will have their lives tuned to right living by the ideals which Esther maintained. The courage she had to defy custom when it meant the salvation of her people will be worthy of emulation by young women of today. Integrity made her the kind of queen who could give and demand the right kind of love. The book is one that deserves wide reading by young women.—M. C. J.

Welfare Ranch

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converted into a chapel. The one-mile-long training track, reported to have been one of the finest race tracks in California, has been plowed up and seeded to barley. An additional well is being drilled, and another large poultry house and a modern milking parlor have been built.

In order to utilize the water better, an overhead water system (sprinkler) has been purchased and is in use. Improvements have been made on buildings, and fences have been moved.

Seven families are now living on the ranch, but a great share of the work is done by volunteer workers from the stakes. Evening work is not practical because of distance (people from one stake have to travel around one hundred miles one way), but every Saturday since the ranch was taken over workers have been on hand to carry on the project. No fewer than forty-six persons have participated on any one Saturday, and one Saturday one hundred and seventy-five do-

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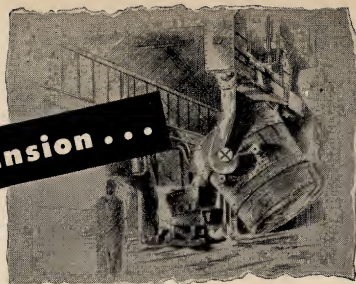
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nated their time to carrying on the work.

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Saturday morning everyone is up at dawn. The women begin their work early enough in the kitchen and dining room to be ready to serve breakfast at 6:30. Promptly at 7:00 prayer is held after which the men go into the fields or buildings to perform the multitudinous tasks to which they have been assigned. And, just for a change, the women clear the table and wash the dishes and begin preparing for the noon meal. After the work is over in the late afternoon, the groups often devote the evening to games and recreation. On many occasions barbecues have been enjoyed and evening meetings have been held before the people left for home.

Another historical meeting was held on the ranch June 8, 1951. More than fifteen hundred people from the stakes in the area gathered to hear talks given by President J. Reuben Clark, Jr., and Elders Moyle and Romney. After reviewing the accomplishments of the welfare program over the years, each of the brethren in turn advised the people not to rest on their laurels and look back too much to what has been accomplished, but rather to look to the future and build at the Perris Ranch a citadel for the future.

In the months and years ahead it is expected that the dairy, beef, sheep, hog, and poultry projects on the ranch will be expanded with the goal in mind of meeting welfare assessments with produce. What else will be accomplished rests with time and the people in the stakes of southern California who have already proved that through faith, unity, cooperation, and hard work, almost any goal can be reached.

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The dance festival provided a fitting climax to the Friday activities. The 1951 spectacle should long be treasured—a beautiful night, with a moon that shone in splendor over the snow-covered peaks of the Wasatch Mountains almost rivaled the more than four thousand dancers who gathered on the green lawn at the stadium of the University of Utah. The colorful dances, some original and presented for the first time this year, some of them standbys from the successful

dances of the M. I. A., were well-received by the 30,000 spectators, four thousand more than have ever been in the stadium for any event. The "Polka in Pink" by 1500 Mia Maids really touched the hearts of all present. The spontaneous applause of the vast audience indicated the delight which the festival afforded.

Age-group departments, recreation, and activities were held Saturday. Enthusiasm reached a high peak in these various instruction

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Journey for the Future

RICHARD L. EVANS

WHEN we have lost those who have meant much to us in the past, and when we have lost with them a pattern of life that we have lived and loved in the past, there is often also a loss of interest in the future, and often a tendency to let down in discouragement and doubt. In short, the person who does not feel sure that there is going to be an acceptable tomorrow, does not usually trouble himself to plan too much for tomorrow. And so, in time of disappointment and sorrow and uncertainty, there is a tendency to live from day to day, mentally and physically and spiritually, and creative interests and activities seem to slow down, and when they do, the world and all who live in it are losers. Furthermore, the loss is permanent. In a sense we can never make up back work, because each day brings its own fullness of time and of opportunities and of things that could or should be done. But life must move on, even in sorrow and uncertainty. The sun still rises and sets even in days of doubt and despair, and all of the endless processes and purposes of life persist despite discouragement. And despite discouragement there is still reason for living and building for the future—for what sometimes seems to be an ending event is not an end at all, but only another event in an eternal journey. And even though our loved ones leave us, and even though we ourselves shall surely follow, yet there will never be a time when we shall not have a future to look forward to. Beyond the limits of our present perspective, there will still be endlessly unfolding plans and purposes and pursuits—for life is a journey—and not a destination, a journey on which, in the glorious planning of Providence, we may walk once more with those we love—with those who shall surely somewhere await us on the way.

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periods—so high, in fact, that many of the departments dismissed and then continued in question-and-answer periods long after the time of adjournment. Special meetings and breakfasts held for supervisors stimulated stake boards in their particular assignments.

Saturday evening the music festival provided a glorious finale for the second day of the conference. More than 1600 young people participated. Their glorious singing called forth thunderous applause from the 10,000 who packed the historic Tabernacle and from others who crowded the walks and lawns to hear what they could of the program by the magnificent massed choruses. Elder Mark E. Petersen of the Council of the Twelve and also an adviser to the M. I. A. talked to the youth and their leaders, stipulating that God's way is the only way to peace. He encouraged all to learn that way and abide in it. Elder Petersen's talk and part of the music presenta-

tion formed the Church of the Air as a nationwide broadcast Sunday morning.

Probably one of the most remarkable features of these youth activities was the excellent preparation for chaperonage that had been laid during the entire year prior to the festivals for young people coming in from outside Salt Lake. Those young people who came were directly assigned to certain adults who were responsible for their care and for their direction during the days they were in Salt Lake City. The pattern adopted by the general boards for this care of youth is one that should be faithfully emulated by wards and stakes in their guardianship of youth. Adequate chaperonage should be provided to safeguard our young people.

The Sunday morning session was under the direction of the First Presidency, with Elder Stephen L. Richards conducting in the absence of President David O. McKay, who was in the East. President

Richards extended the greetings, welcome, and blessings, from the First Presidency of the Church. He then addressed the Mutual workers relative to their assignment and their obligation. "There is no higher knowledge than the knowledge of the things of God," he said. "The Lord gives us the truth to begin with. It is ultimate." He challenged the workers: "We have a great project before us always in this work, and that is the one of proclaiming the gospel to the people of the world. . . . If you can make missionaries adequately equipped to take this message out to the people of the world, even in your training and recreational circles, you will have accomplished a vast and great thing for the Church of Christ."

President J. Reuben Clark, Jr., of the First Presidency, also addressed the group. His theme was two great blessings which pertain to everyone: 1, that we came forth in the Dispensation of the Fullness of Times, and 2, that we are members of this Church. This heritage

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is precious, and we should take care lest we sell it for a mess of pottage. His address deeply impressed the ten thousand who heard it.

Elder Delbert Leon Stapley of the Council of the Twelve advised the leaders to look beyond those who attend Mutual to those who are inactive and bring them into activity. He said that the leaders of youth should seek knowledge, pray humbly, and set an example by following the teachings of the Church.

Sister Lucy Grant Cannon, former general president of the Y.W.M.I.A., said that there is strength in obeying counsel and that there is lasting happiness in being a true Latter-day Saint.

The concluding youth session held Sunday afternoon in the Tabernacle featured talks by three young people, Barbara Benson, Gary O'Brien, and Theron Folsom. They told of what the Mutual means to them and expressed their hopes for the future.

A powerful address by Elder Mark E. Petersen, based on the theme, "Choose you this day whom ye will serve . . .," stirred the audience to a realization of the blessing of free agency and the need for wisdom in exercising that right of choice. The wise person will ally himself with Christ's way of life and exclude Satan's. Citing specifics, Elder Petersen asked how young people would choose when it came to standards of dress, morality, recreation, marriage, the Word of Wisdom, attendance at Church. Young and old alike should take counsel from this address.

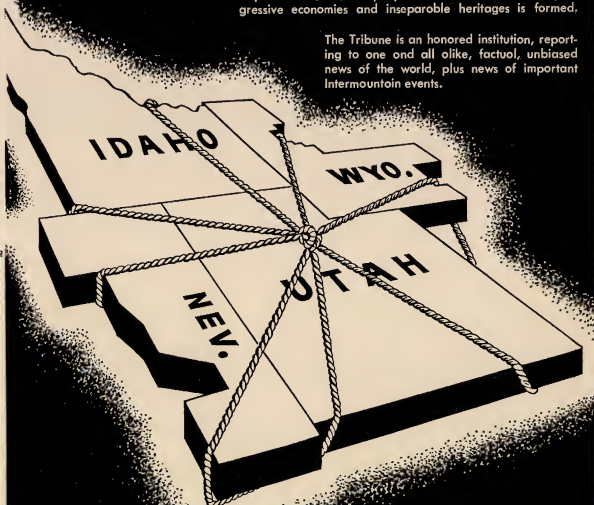
A mere recapitulation of events, festivals, or of speeches cannot recapture the moving force of the conference as a stimulus to those who participated and those who observed to make the Mutual program a vital, moving, and available part in the life of every Church member. The ideals and standards, the program and its presentation can be effectually incorporated into any community and into all lives. The Mutual program well-interpreted and well-interpreted is becoming a great missionary force throughout the world for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

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place given in this booklet in all the areas where the Church is established, with an invitation to call the stake or mission president for additional addresses, the list of meeting places is complete for Great Britain and the Hawaiian Islands.

Distribution of the directories is being made through stake and mission presidents in whose areas military installations are located and through L.D.S. group leaders for those men aboard the ships and in areas outside the stakes and missions. Hereafter, men called to the service will receive their *Servicemen's Directory* with their copies of

the Book of Mormon and *Principles of the Gospel*.

Another aid to L.D.S. servicemen is the new identification "dog" tag recently issued by the Church under the provisions of a new military regulation which permits members of the armed forces to wear a "third" identification tag supplied to him by the church of his choice.

These identification tags are also being distributed by stake and mission presidents in whose areas the camps are located and by group leaders to men serving in areas outside the jurisdiction of the stakes and missions.

WE ARE CHALLENGED

YES, we are our "brother's keeper."

This great truth has come down through all the ages since the guilty Cain asked the question, "Am I my brother's keeper?" And this truth imposes obligations that many of us more or less neglect. Sin and wickedness are current everywhere, at least to some extent. The doctrine of free agency is apparently interpreted by many as meaning we should have no concern relative to what others do. This do-nothing attitude makes him who takes it an accessory to wrongdoing. ★ is a sinful attitude.

Specifically, what do we have in mind? That duty requires all of us to be interested in doing everything feasible to create a wholesome environment in our neighborhoods, to favor the enactment and enforcement of good laws and regulations and the restraining and punishment of those who are deliberate law-breakers, etc. Drinking, for example, is a widely-practised evil that should become non-existent, and would be if the best interests of all were satisfied.

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Let us give a few illustrations:

1. The U. S. Senate Kefauver crime committee has made many devastating indictments among which the following stand out:

Practically every large distillery and brewery has granted franchises to racketeer dealers, most of whom were blanketed in under the original licensing activities of the Alcohol Tax Unit after the repeal of prohibition.

Prohibition repeal was to be a "great reform"; it was to put an end to corruption; it was to stop for all time the vicious and violent activities of racketeers and gangsters.

Now it seems that these people were just "blanketed in under the original licensing" which re-established the liquor traffic when prohibition was repealed.

Many of these men are still operating under the protection of the laws, and they are still the same kind of men they were when they were "blanketed in."

This whole phase of the liquor traffic should be opened up to the public gaze by a search and publication of the record. Every man who was "blanketed in" and who is still alive and operating should be put under examination. The people have a right to know if he was a bootlegger or a smuggler under federal prohibition. They have a right to know the sum he owed the

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United States Government in taxes and, particularly, what he owed the United States Government in import duties, and the people have the right to know for what sum his obligation was compromised.

The Congress of the United States should require that every man engaged in the liquor business hold a basic permit subject to annual renewal. Any man who has a criminal record should be weeded out, nor should his son, nor his daughter, nor his aunt, nor his cousin, nor his uncle be permitted to secure a permit under any authority, to continue his business.

2. The District Attorney of Waynesboro, Massachusetts, reports that drink was responsible for eighty-six percent of the crime in Franklin County in 1950. In two years drunken driving cases jumped fifty-five percent; gambling and bookmaking convictions in a single year have leaped more than three hundred percent.

Three times as many persons were convicted of obtaining money falsely in 1950 as in 1949. Over-all increase in crime in two years has been twenty-six percent.

The attorney asserts that alcohol is largely responsible for these increases.

3. Professor Selden D. Bacon of Yale University says alcoholism hits at all levels of industry: the front office, sales specialists, foremen, skilled and unskilled labor, stockholders and even the medical staff. The higher the position of responsibility the more damage the alcoholic—especially the unsuspected alcoholic—can do.

Industry suffers a particular loss along with business and the professions because of the fact that al-

coholism usually appears after thirty years of age. The industry can invest millions in men and women who are expected to be technicians, experts, leaders after five or ten years' training and experience. Just as these men and women approach their real potential, alcoholism may, and often does, cause their deterioration and actual departure.

Industry, like all other segments of the community, suffers because of the costs of alcoholism involved in courts, police, jails, social agencies, relief, accidents, property damage, and broken families.

4. Andrew Carnegie, in his famous volume, *The Empire of Business*, has this advice for young men who are aiming for success:

"The first and most seductive habit, and the destroyer of most young men, is the drinking of liquor. I am a man who knows, and tells you what observation has proved to him; and I say to you that you are more likely to fail in your career from acquiring the habit of drinking liquor than from any or all the other temptations likely to assail you. From the insane thirst for liquor, escape is almost impossible."

ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN MINNESOTA

Under the leadership of some able men in Minnesota, devoted to the cause of temperance and total abstinence, high grade teetotalers have been elected to office. The April number of *The American Issue* publishes brief statements from the following:

Governor Luther W. Youngdahl says: "I do not drink. This is my

policy because I find life filled with so many challenging tasks and demands. To meet them I must have the full benefit of my spiritual, mental and physical capacities at all times."

Congressman Walter H. Judd, says: "I am happy to add my testimony to your series on men in public life who do not drink intoxicating liquor. I can see no benefit either to individuals or to society from the use of such beverages."

Dean N. Schwieckhard, commissioner of education, is quoted as saying: "I refrain from the use of intoxicating liquors for two very strong reasons: (1.) Throughout life I have found it necessary to maintain the highest degree of stability in approaching the intense demands which are constantly made upon body, mind, and spirit; (2.) I see the same necessity for assisting every boy and girl going to school to find a calm and considerate way of meeting life's problems that I early discovered myself. To help them most effectively we must discriminate sharply and teach them to discriminate clearly between the things which build and those things which destroy."

Mayor Eric G. Hoyer of Minneapolis says: "I do not drink because I feel that the natural stimulation of life is life itself. The large requirements of one's daily job and the rich satisfactions of work well done offer a sense of accomplishment, which cannot be achieved under the artificial stimulation of alcohol."

Municipal Judge Leslie L. Anderson says: "I do not drink. I feel that I have a more practical outlook of daily work because of that fact. I see more good and do more good for others because I do abstain."

EVIDENCES AND RECONCILIATIONS

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innocent of any complicity with those who committed the Mountain Meadows Massacre. Note an extract from the long testimony covering two newspaper pages. Apparently he arrived in Salt Lake City in the forenoon and found President Young in his office holding a council meeting with his

brethren. Brigham Young asked him after reading the message, from Cedar City or Parowan, if he could take the trip back, if so, to take a little rest, and start back during noontime. "He (President Young) said that the Indians must be kept from the emigrants at all costs if it took all of Iron County to protect them." He felt the matter strongly.

His eyes filled with tears, said Brother Haslam.

It would have been difficult to fool Brother Haslam. I believed him, and the many other supporting evidences, in preference to others who faraway in time are setting up their own theories of explanation. Brigham Young was not responsible for the Mountain Meadows Massacre.



The Presiding

Instructions Given on Performing Baptism

BECAUSE priests are so frequently called upon to perform baptisms, particularly in stakes and wards, we feel it expedient to give a few instructions in the performance of this sacred ordinance and ask bishops and stake Aaronic Priesthood committees to co-operate in an effort to bring this information to the priests of the Church and to give them the supervision they need in performing baptisms.

The Lord gave specific and detailed instructions on baptism as follows:

Baptism is to be administered in the following manner unto all those who repent—

The person who is called of God and has authority from Jesus Christ to baptize, shall go down into the water with the person who has presented himself or her-

self for baptism, and shall say, calling him or her by name: Having been commissioned of Jesus Christ, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Then shall he immerse him or her in the water, and come forth again out of the water. (D. & C. 20:72-74.)

There are three fundamental steps to be taken when performing the ordinance of baptism: (1) that the person officiating "... shall go down into the water with the person ..." who is to be baptized; (2) that the person officiating shall repeat the words of the ordinance as the Lord has revealed them; (3) that the candidate for baptism shall be completely immersed.

When the person officiating and the person to be baptized are both standing in the water, the priest shall take the hands of the candidate firmly in his left hand and shall raise his right arm to the square behind the person to be baptized.

When these things have been done and all is in readiness, the priest should call the person by his or her full name and then carefully repeat the words of the ordinance *exactly as the Lord has revealed them*. Those in charge of the baptismal service would do well to listen carefully, and if the ordinance words are not repeated exactly as the Lord has directed, the priest should be instructed to try again and as many times as necessary until they are spoken correctly before performing the baptism.

Finally: "Then shall he immerse him or her in the water. ..." (Verse 74.)

All of the body, therefore, is to be "buried" completely under the water in baptism. Occasionally some part of the body is not "immersed." When this occurs, the priest should be instructed again to repeat the words of the ordinance before attempting to immerse the candidate.

Further instructions will be found in the current issue of the Aaronic Priesthood *Handbook*. It is hoped that this matter will be given careful attention always to insure the proper performance of this sacred ordinance.

Our religion is simply the truth. It is all said in this one expression—it embraces all truth, wherever found, in all the works of God and man that are visible or invisible to mortal eye.—Brigham Young.

Make-up Meetings Permitted In Award Program

A BOY who misses a sacrament or priesthood meeting in his own ward, for any reason, may make up such meeting by attending the meeting held in another ward in his effort to earn either his individual certificate of award or a one hundred percent attendance seal to be attached thereto.

While we desire the boy to attend these meetings in his own ward, there are many circumstances which should be given consideration; for instance, a boy may have a period of illness which, without the privilege of making up his meetings, would deprive him of his award and sometimes of his one hundred percent attendance record.

A boy may be away from home on a vacation with the family and, therefore, be unable to attend meetings in his own ward. In this instance the

Think It Over

Let your words reflect what you are—

That the boy may detect no difference between what you say and what you do.

—L. A. P.

boy, as many do, may attend Church meetings en route to and from his vacation residence. Some vacations are spent in the vicinity of Church branches or wards and boys should be encouraged to attend. Still others do not attend or are not able to attend Church meetings while on vacation for one reason or another. In any instance, the boy should be given full credit on his own quorum roll for any Church meeting attended outside his own ward.

One other suggestion: When a boy reports his attendance at meetings in another ward, he is on his honor, and we take his word for it. It is not good always to challenge a boy's honesty. Let him know you believe him to be honest, and there will be few, if any, who will be unworthy of your confidence.

In the older age groups among the Aaronic Priesthood, we must recognize that a young man keeping company with a young lady from another ward may desire to attend her ward

Leaders—Adult Members

Effective Leadership Demands Study

DON'T be intellectually static. If you would be a successful co-ordinator or group adviser, you will of necessity need to spend a great deal of time in thoughtful study.

One who fails to add constantly to his own intellectual and spiritual reservoirs cannot, for long, supply the "living water" to the hungry and sometimes parched souls of the adult members of the Aaronic Priesthood, for whom he is responsible.

Not only should an adviser add to his general knowledge of the gospel by regular and planned study of the "standard works" and the books written by the General Authorities of the Church, but he should also have in his library and refer frequently to the *Handbook* for leaders of adult members of the Aaronic Priesthood, and to books on the techniques of dealing with people, principles of salesmanship, etc.

Let your study be regular and planned. Set aside a definite time each day for it and hold faithfully to your schedule. Let your need rather than your interest decide your study source material. Be constantly alert for materials and helps for your work. Your study is part of your calling. It will pay big dividends. Don't let your reservoir of knowledge drain dry. Keep it well filled.

Bishopric's Page

Prepared by Lee A. Palmer

Aaronic Priesthood

Quorums Not to Be Divided On Basis of Activity

WE again direct attention to the recommendation that quorums of the Aaronic Priesthood not be divided on the basis of activity. In fact, if we know that a quorum has qualified for the Standard Quorum Award only because the inactive members thereof have been placed together in another quorum, the application will be declined.

Bishoprics, coordinators, and stake committees should observe this recommendation carefully, thus avoiding the embarrassment to the Presiding Bishopric when they are obliged to decline an application which should not have passed by either on the ward or the stake level.

If it becomes necessary to divide a quorum, active and inactive members should be divided equally between the two new quorums. Under no circumstances, and not for any reason, are inactive members to be enrolled in one quorum and only the active members enrolled in another quorum.

sacrament meeting occasionally—and why not? When he does, he is to receive full credit on his quorum roll when reporting his attendance in the other ward. Such attendance may be either in lieu of attendance at his own ward or in addition thereto as a make-up meeting.

In the final analysis we should not lose sight of this objective in our program, i.e., to have our young people attend the meetings of the Church. Where they attend our meetings is not nearly so important as that they do attend. Of course, promiscuous attendance in other wards is not the spirit of this make-up provision in our work. When boys are at home, they are expected to attend Church meetings in their own wards, particularly their priesthood meetings.

AWARD RECORD

As of July 1, 1951, the Presiding Bishopric approved applications for 857 Standard Awards and 13,548 Individual Certificates of Award for the year 1950.

Ward Teachers to Baptize Only When Authorized

IN some wards conscientious ward teachers have been successful in converting non-members. As a result of such accomplishments, the question has been asked, "Are ward teachers authorized to proceed with baptism when converts apply for the same?"

Ward teachers are not authorized to administer the ordinance of baptism independent of the bishop. When an investigator applies for baptism, ward teachers should refer the matter

to the bishop. The bishop should then interview the one desiring baptism, and when satisfied of his sincerity and worthiness, complete arrangements for baptism.

The baptism could be performed at the regular monthly service preceding fast day meeting, or, if necessary, a special service could be arranged. One of the ward teachers instrumental in the conversion could properly be assigned by the bishop to baptize the candidate if desired.

Stake Committee Emphasizes Visits to Wards



BONNEVILLE STAKE AARONIC PRIESTHOOD COMMITTEE
Front row, left to right, Wayne J. Anderson, adviser to deacons; President Junius M. Jackson, chairman; Sterling W. Sill, vice-chairman; William A. Dawson, adviser to teachers.
Back row: J. Elmo Ostler, secretary; David A. Shand, adviser to deacons; Herbert G. Stockman, adviser to priests.

WE proudly present a record of the achievements of the Bonneville Stake Aaronic Priesthood committee in the matter of visits to wards. For years now, we have been emphasizing the necessity for more visits to wards by members of the stake committee. We have steadfastly maintained that the most effective work is being done when the stake committee makes frequent and helpful contacts with wards. Bonneville fully justifies our emphasis on this feature of the program.

During the year 1950, members of the stake committee made a total of 354 visits to seven wards, or an average of more than fifty visits to each ward, or an average of more than one visit to each ward each week. Their 1951 record, to date, is equally as good, if not better.

Does it pay? Well, those of you who are trying to be the highest of

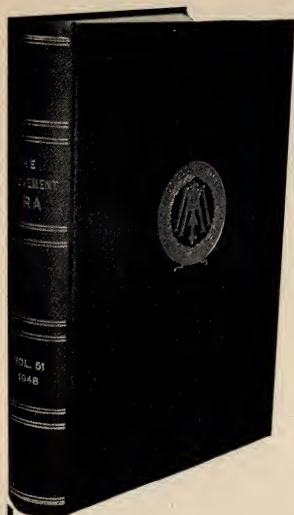
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President J. Reuben Clark, Jr.

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tries, the division of the waters of the Rio Grande. Best of all Mexico and the United States worked together as friends during President Clark's ambassadorship.

President Clark has rendered great service to his country as well as to his people. He served with distinction and to the satisfaction of seven presidents of the United States. Few can claim such a record. We have the right to be very proud of his achievements. His life is a stimulus to every ambitious boy.

He has had the joy of having his work appreciated. Distinguished men, men of affairs, have spoken and written about him in terms of praise. Even a partial list is impressive: Philander C. Knox, secretary of state; Huntington Wilson, assistant secretary of state; T. W. Gregory, attorney general; Charles E. Hughes, secretary of state and chief justice of the Supreme Court; Frank B. Kellogg, secretary of state; Matthew C. Brush, railroad executive; Charles A. Stone, presi-

dent of the American Cooperation; Herbert Plummer, writer; Dwight W. Morrow, senator, ambassador, and successful businessman; Howland Cox, writer for *Christian Science Monitor*; Herbert Hoover, president of the United States; William Waterburg, president, Pennsylvania Railroad; Will Rogers; Otis Rubio, ex-president of Mexico; S. Bolling Wright, steel manufacturer; Newton D. Baker, secretary of war. Numerous influential newspapers and magazines have carried articles concerning President Clark. The high nature of President Clark's civil work is well attested by such an aggregation of eminent men and publications, which could be greatly enlarged. The words of praise spoken by these men and publications could well be the envy of all.

The University of Utah did itself proud in conferring the LL.D. degree on President Clark, its academic son, in 1934 in recognition of his abundant services to his country.

Despite this remarkable career in governmental affairs President

Some Highlights in the Appointments of President J. Reuben Clark, Jr.

- Under Theodore Roosevelt—Assistant Solicitor for the Department of State
Elihu Root, Secretary of State, Philander C. Knox, Attorney General
- Under William Howard Taft—Solicitor for the Department of State
Philander C. Knox, Secretary of State, George Wickersham, Attorney General
Committee to Report on Assistance of Red Cross Societies in Civil Warfare
Chairman of American Preparatory Committee to Represent the United States on the International Preparatory Committee for the Third Hague Conference
Counsel for the United States before Tribunal of Arbitration Under the Special Agreement of August 18, 1910, between the United States and Great Britain
- Under Woodrow Wilson—Special Counsel for the United States, before the American British Claims Arbitration Tribunal on questions of international law involved in state succession and cable-cutting cases
Counsel in charge of United States Agency, American-British Claims Arbitration
Major, Judge Advocate General's Officers' Reserve Corps
- Under Warren G. Harding—Special Counsel for Department of State, Conference on the Limitation of Armament, Washington, D. C.
Expert Assistant to the American Commissioners
- Under Calvin Coolidge—Agent of United States, General Claims Commission, United States and Mexico
Special Counsel to Agency of United States, Mixed Claims Commission, United States and Mexico
Under Secretary of State
- Under Herbert Hoover—Special Representative, with rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, at the inauguration of Pascual Ortiz Rubio, President of Mexico
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Mexico
- Under Franklin D. Roosevelt—Delegate of the United States to the Seventh International Conference of American States, Montevideo, Uruguay
Committee for the formation of the Foreign Bondholders Protective Council, Inc.

Clark's loyalty to the Church is his foremost characteristic. During his years in Washington and New York, his was a Latter-day Saint household, full of faith in the restored gospel of Jesus Christ. There was no attempt to play down his devoted attachment to the Church, its beliefs and practices. Though his children were reared away from the stakes of Zion, they lived as Latter-day Saints and in their lives are faithful to their gospel teachings. In this never-wavering faith in the doctrine of the restored gospel today as yesterday is the superlative strength of J. Reuben Clark, Jr.

It is not so well-known that throughout his life President Clark has been a close student of the gospel. In the midst of multitudinous duties for State or Church, he has found time for daily communion with scriptures, ancient and modern.

His thoughts have centered upon Jesus the Christ, with whose life and teachings he is unusually familiar. The times of the Christ come to life as he speaks of them. His recent book, *On the Way to Immortality and Eternal Life*, shows not only an intimate acquaintance with the gospel, but also reveals many of the most noticeable phases of his character.

Neither is it well-known that President Clark has distinct writing ability. Many of his reports to the state department are used as textbooks in government circles and elsewhere. His latest book carries an enviable clarity of style. And when he speaks, it is with a driving force which leaves a long impression upon the listener.

In the latter part of his life when he might reasonably have expected to draw for his life's labors the reward that the earth gives, he was called to serve in the First Presidency of the Church. That meant the laying aside of mundane things. He knew that it would mean the laying aside also of many a cherished professional hope; but ever since he knelt daily in his boyhood home, he has known that God's cause is the greatest on earth. He resigned the ambassadorship to enter a larger position. That he knew.

His faithful service in his Church positions is well-known to all the

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Career in Brief of President J. Reuben Clark, Jr.

September 1, 1871—Born at Grantsville, Utah, the son of Joshua Reuben and Mary Louisa Woolley Clark.

1891-1898—Clerk for Curator of Deseret Museum. (In the words of Elder James E. Talmage, the curator, this was to be regarded as a foreign mission.)

1894-98—Did six years work in four at the University of Utah, and being awarded a Bachelor of Science degree.

September 14, 1898—Married Luacine Annetta Savage in Salt Lake Temple.

1898-1899—Principal, Heber City High School.

1899-1900—Teacher of English and Latin, Latter-day Saints College, Salt Lake City.

1900-1901—Acting Principal, Southern Branch, State Normal School, Cedar City, Utah.

1902-03—Principal, Salt Lake Business College.

1903—Began at Columbia University Law School.

1905—Admitted to New York Bar.

1906—Received LL.B. degree, having specialized in mining law.

1906-1910—Assistant solicitor for the department of state.

1907-1908—Assistant professor of law, George Washington University, Washington, D. C.

1910-1913—Solicitor for the department of state.

1911—Admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States.

1911—Admitted as a member of the bar of the Court of Claims.

1911—Appointed member of committee to report on assistance of Red Cross Societies in Civil Warfare.

1912—Appointed chairman of American Preparatory Committee to represent the United States on the International Preparatory Committee for the Third Hague Conference.

1912—Member, American Society for Judicial Settlement of International Disputes.

1913—Appointed counsel for the United States before Tribunal of Arbitration under Special Agreement of August 18, 1910, between the United States and Great Britain. (\$5,000,000.00 claims.)

1913-1921—Private Law practice in New York and Washington, D. C.

1914—Counsel in Charge of United States Agency, American-British Claims Arbitration.

1917—Commissioned Major in the Judge Advocate General's Officers' Reserve Corps, assigned for service to the Attorney General of the United States, at the latter's request.

1918—Awarded three silver war service chevrons and the distinguished service medal.

1918—Author, *Emergency Legislation and War Powers of the President*.

1919-1920—Active in League of Nations controversy.

1921—Special counsel for department of state, conference on the limitation of armament, Washington, D. C.

1921-1926—Private Practice, Salt Lake City.

1923—Chairman, New York committee, Outlawry of War.

1925—Appointed to the general board, Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association.

1925—Consulting counsel for the federal government in the Cayuga Indian case—American-British claims commission—claims of nearly \$1,000,000.00.

1926—Agent of United States, General Claims Commission, United States and Mexico.

1927-1928—Legal adviser to Ambassador Dwight W. Morrow, Mexico.

1928—Author, *Memoandum of the Monroe Doctrine*.

1928-1929—Under secretary of State.

1930—Special representative, with rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, at inauguration of Pascual Ortiz Rubio, President of Mexico.

1930-1933—Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States to Mexico.

April 6, 1933—Sustained as Second Counselor in the First Presidency.

1933—Delegate of the United States to the Seventh International Conference of American States (Pan-American Conference) Montevideo, Uruguay.

June 5, 1934—Received an honorary LL. D., University of Utah.

1934-38—President, Foreign Bondholders Protective Council, Inc.

October 6, 1934—Sustained an Apostle and as First Counselor in the First Presidency.

October 11, 1934—Ordained an Apostle by President Heber J. Grant.

1936—United States representative on Committee for the study of International Loan Contracts (League of Nations).

1936—Member, committee of experts on codification of International Law (Pan-American Union.)

1938-1945—Chairman, Executive Committee, Foreign Bondholders Protective Council, Inc.

May 21, 1945—Sustained as First Counselor to President George Albert Smith.

1946—Author, story of the Boy Christ, *Wist Ye Not That I Must Be About My Father's Business?*

1947—Author, *To Them of the Last Wagon*.

1949—Author, *On the Way to Immortality and Eternal Life*.

April 9, 1951—Sustained as Second Counselor to President David O. McKay.

Since 1933 President Clark has made 984 addresses, has published forty-nine articles in national and Church publications—this does not include addresses which have been published—and four poems. Such national publications as *Vital Speeches*, the *American Bar Association Journal*, *Commercial and Financial Chronicle*, *Robert Morris Association Magazine*, the *Encyclopedia Britannica*, *New York Sun*, *American Journal of International Law*, as well as others, are included.

During ten years President Clark spent over four years away from home on business assignments from the First Presidency. Spent in week, two week, or month periods it meant being away from his family for that much time.

President J. Reuben Clark, Jr.

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people of the Church. He has given to the Church every power that he used when in the service of the government. He has brought his acute analytical mind, his organizing ability, and his vast accumulated experience to serve the developing tasks of the growing Church. He has been the foremost supporter of the welfare plan of the Church, the chief helper in placing Church finances on a budget plan. He has insisted on conformity with the revealed word of God in all Church activities. He is a Rock of Gibraltar among the waves of unbelief. He has opinions; they are usually strong, from which he finds it difficult to retreat; but underneath is as warm a heart for humanity as ever beat in human breast. His friends who know him remember him as one, who amidst the vicissitudes of life, loves the gospel of Jesus Christ first of all and above all else. Therefore, the people of the Church love him and trust him. Therefore, in place of the things of the earth that he lost when he obeyed the call to Church service, he has a large credit on the books of God. To be in accord with God is the greatest of human achievements. The Church members are proud of J. Reuben Clark, Jr., and glad to have him among them. And so he toils along, living out his own adage that it matters not what your position may be, but how well the work is done—and his work is well done.

Now, if he finds an hour for relaxation amidst the strenuous duties of the First Presidency, he goes to Grantsville, his boyhood home, where he has a farm and a home. There he takes delight in the livestock and the growing crops which he holds are the basis of human prosperity, or he rests in his Salt Lake City home near his children and grandchildren, recalling the happy days of yore spent by the sun-bathed meadows of Grantsville on the shores of Great Salt Lake. He is grateful for the goodness of the Lord to him.

The life of J. Reuben Clark, Jr., of which the merest sketch is here given, is notable in its every activity and a lesson for all who would attain greatness before man and God.

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FRESH FRUITS	HOW TO SELECT	BEST SEASON	HOW TO STORE AND COOK
APPLES Food value varies according to age, season, variety, storage Vitamins A, B ₁ , C Iron	Firm skin, heavy feeling, free from bruises Eating—Delicious, Jonathan, Baldwin, McIntosh, Grimes Golden Pie—Winesap, York Imperial, Greening Baking—Winesap, Rome Beauty Storing—Rome Beauty, Winesap, Northern Spy	September to April Green apples for sauce late June and July 	Keep in cool dry place and cook with little or no water with peelings. Press through ricer or strainer. If storing in large quantities wrap each apple in paper and keep in dark, cool, dry place To prevent discoloration after paring drop into cold water into which a pinch of salt has been added for each whole apple. A quick dip in boiling water makes paring easy
APRICOTS Vitamin A, Iron, calcium	Firm, not wrinkled or soft	July-August	Keep in cool place, wash before eating
AVOCADOS Vitamins A, B ₁ , C, G Iron and Calcium	Firm, green, slightly pebbled skin. Flesh should yield to pressure	Year 'round	Keep in cool place. Peel just before using and dip in lemon juice to prevent discoloring
BANANAS Vitamins A, B ₁ , C, and G Iron	When ripe enough to eat should be brown flecked. Avoid broken skins. May be bought partially green for cooking	Year 'round	Keep in cool place—not in icebox. Ripe bananas will keep only a few days
BERRIES Vitamins A, C Some iron Calcium	Tilt container to examine contents. Over-ripe berries stain box. Ripe berries are firm and even-colored.	Strawberries are cheapest middle of May to mid-June. Raspberries, July and early August	Sort immediately and place in refrigerator on shallow tray. Do not wash until just before using. Wash in bowl of water; lift berries into colander to drain
CHERRIES Vitamins A, C Calcium Iron	Firm skin, plump fruit. Box should be stain free	June-September	Will not keep long. Pick over, wash and drain. Keep cool
CRANBERRIES Vitamins A, C	Full round shiny berries free from soft spots are best	November to March	Sort carefully and wash before cooking. Use a raw ground relish to retain full value. Sauce contains some vitamins, jelly very little
DRIED FRUITS Iron content greater than in fresh fruit Dates—vitamins A and G Raisins and Figs—B ₁ , G Peaches and Apricots—A, G Prunes—A, B ₁ , Iron	Packaged fruits are more sanitary than "bulk" but also more expensive	Year 'round	Keep in cool dry place and follow directions on package. If allowed to soak, cook in same water
GRAPEFRUIT High in vitamin B ₁ , C Iron and calcium	Firm, heavy feel, with even yellow color. Russet fruit is not inferior	October to May (July and August poor months)	Store in cool dry place and do not cut until ready to use. Keep in original wrapping or separated
GRAPES Vitamins A, B ₁ Iron and calcium	Avoid buying grapes that fall off bunch when shaken. Buy Concord for jelly and juice. Slightly unripe grapes jelly best	Concord, late August to October. Others from fall to spring	Chill after washing. Eat soon for greatest enjoyment. Keep dry and covered to prevent drawing fruit flies
LEMONS AND LIMES High in vitamin C	Look for thin skin, heavy feeling lemons. Avoid soft brown spots at stem ends	Year 'round	Store in cool dry place and do not cut until just before using
MELONS Some vitamins Cantaloupe, casaba, and honeydew A, B, C, Iron Watermelon B ₁ , C, G, iron	Ripe melons are soft at the blossom end and have a definite sweet odor. Buy watermelons from sample "plugs"	June through September	Store in cool place. Keep honey-dew and cantaloupe in paper bag until used

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SUMMER SMOOTHIES

Cheese Ring and Garden Salad

- 2 tablespoons unflavored gelatin
- 4 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 cup chopped cucumbers
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
- 1 pound cream-style cottage cheese
- 1 tablespoon chopped green onion
- 1 tablespoon chopped pimiento
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup mayonnaise
- 2 medium-size tomatoes
- 1 medium-size cucumber
- 1 can tuna

Soften gelatin in lemon juice. Add salt to cucumbers and allow to stand 5 to 10 minutes. Sieve cottage cheese. Melt gelatin over hot water and stir into cottage cheese. Drain liquid from cucumbers and add to cottage cheese



along with green onion and pimiento. Fold in mayonnaise. Pour into an oiled eight-inch ring mold. Chill several hours or until firm. Turn out on a large serving plate. Wash and cut tomatoes and cucumbers into wedges. Flake "bitesize" tuna and toss with tomatoes and cucumbers. Fill center of ring mold with tuna salad. Garnish with salad greens and serve with additional mayonnaise. Serves 6.

Tuna-Stuffed Eggs with Tomato Sauce

- 1 $6\frac{1}{2}$ -oz. can tuna
- 6 hard-cooked eggs
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup mayonnaise
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon dry mustard
- 1 can condensed tomato soup
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup evaporated or rich milk

Peel eggs and cut in half lengthwise. Remove the yolks and place in a bowl; mash well, then combine with tuna, mayonnaise, and mustard. Mix thoroughly. Fill egg whites generously with tuna mixture and place in shallow baking dish. Combine the soup and milk and heat to boiling. Pour over stuffed eggs. Bake in a moderate oven (350° F.) until eggs are hot and sauce bubbling. Serve at once. Serves 4 or 5.

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FRESH FRUIT CHART (Concluded from page 596)

FRESH FRUITS	HOW TO SELECT	BEST SEASON	HOW TO STORE AND COOK
ORANGES Vitamins A, B ₁ , C Some iron Calcium	Thin skin, heavy-feeling oranges produce most juice Navel oranges are best for slicing	Navel late Nov. to June Cal. Valencia May-Dec. Fla. Valencia Feb. to Jun.	Store in cool place preferably not in icebox. Do not squeeze until ready for use. Oranges allowed to stand at room temperature awhile before squeezing give more juice
PEACHES Vitamins A, C, G Some iron	Look near stem ends for pinkish or yellow color to be sure fruit is ripe	Clingstone—hold shape for canning. Late July to Oct. Freestones—better eaten raw. Late Aug. and Sept.	Allow to ripen at room temperature. Better flavor if eaten soon after picking. Store in icebox
PEARS Some vitamins A, C Some iron, calcium	Pears will keep only a few days so avoid buying in quantities. Avoid wrinkled, marked, or very hard pear	July through April Can in Sept.	Sort out bruised fruit, unwrap and store remainder in cool dark place
PINEAPPLE Vitamins B ₁ , C Iron Calcium	Avoid soft decayed base. Look for plump fruit with fragrant odor. Green spines pull out of ripened fruit easily	Winter months	Store in cool dark place. Slice before paring to avoid waste. Remove core. Best not cooked; pour canned pineapple juice over ripe, sliced fruit
PLUMS Vitamins A, B ₁ , C Iron	Firm, solid color, no soft spots	June to October	Keep in cool place after wiping off. Will not keep long
PUMPKIN Vitamins A, G Iron, calcium	Look for hard, even-colored rind. Small and medium-size pumpkins more "mealy"	Late October to January	Cut up with peelings on and boil in small amount of water. Strain
RHUBARB Vitamin C Good source of iron	Long, even, crisp-looking stalks. Large tough leaves indicate old fruit of poor flavor	May to August, cheapest	Wash and cut up without peeling to retain pink color. Cook slowly in small amount water. Sugar to taste. Honey also is good sweetener.
TANGERINES Vitamins A, B ₁ , C Some iron Calcium	Firm, bright orange skin Heavy for size	Early December to Apr.	Store in cool place. Keep fruit separated and covered to prevent drying

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Summer Smoothies

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Sunday Night Sandwich

- 1 cup cottage cheese
- 2 tablespoons cream
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon onion juice
- 1 cup radish slices
- whole-wheat bread
- butter

Mix cheese and cream. Add salt, onion juice, and blend. Spread on buttered bread and top with radish slices.

Cottage Cheese Cupcakes

- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup butter
- 2 cups brown sugar
- 1 lemon rind, grated
- 1 egg
- $1\frac{3}{4}$ cups sifted whole-wheat flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons baking powder
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup chopped raisins
- 2 cups creamed cottage cheese

Cream butter and one cup of the brown sugar until light and fluffy. Add lemon rind and egg and beat well. Add cottage cheese and remainder of brown sugar; mix thoroughly. Sift flour with other dry ingredients and blend with first mixture. Fold in raisins. Bake in greased muffin tins in moderate oven (350° F.) about 30 minutes. Serve warm. Makes 2 dozen.

Cottage Cheese Ring Salad

- $1\frac{1}{2}$ tablespoons gelatin
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup cold water
- 3 cups cottage cheese
- 1 teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon paprika
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup light cream
- 3 cups mixed, diced, fresh fruit

Sprinkle gelatin on cold water; dissolve over hot water. Combine cheese, seasonings, cream, and dissolved gelatin; mix well. Turn into 1-quart ring mold which has been rinsed in cold water. Chill. Unmold on salad greens. Fill center with fruit mixture. Serve with mayonnaise.

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Summer Smoothies

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Molasses Taffy

- 1 cup molasses
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon vinegar
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine

Mix ingredients in a two-quart saucepan and cook until a little syrup, when dropped in cold water, will separate into threads which are hard but not brittle (270° F.). Stir constantly. Pour onto greased cookie pan or platter, and as edges cool, fold back toward the center, or edges will cool before center is ready to pull. (Don't disturb part that hasn't cooled, or candy will stick to pan.) When cool enough to pull, fold into ball, pull with lightly-buttered fingers until taffy is light, then stretch into long rope one-half inch wide, and cut into one-inch pieces.

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Popcorn Balls

- 1 cup honey
- 1 1/4 cups brown sugar
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 3 quarts popped corn

Combine honey, sugar, water, and salt in saucepan. Place over low heat, stirring until mixture begins to boil. Cook until syrup dropped in cold water forms a firm (but not brittle) ball. Remove from heat, add vanilla, and stir only to blend well. Pour slowly over popcorn which some of the crowd has had fun popping, and stir until every kernel is coated with syrup. When corn is cool enough to handle, shape into balls with lightly-buttered hands. Yield: about 8 good-sized balls.

Banana Ice Cream

- 3 ripe bananas
- 1 cup powdered milk
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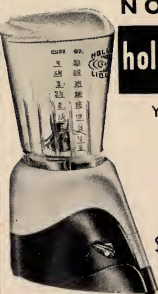


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By Louise Price Bell



MOST modern parents like to have their teen-age daughters play the role of hostess to their friends, and yours are probably no exception. But do you make the most of this wonderful opportunity? Are you a well-poised young hostess, sure that everyone is having fun . . . or are you self-conscious and ill at ease?

The first important thing is to have something planned for the crowd, even if it is nothing more than making sure the favorite records are on hand and haven't been lent by your older sister to someone at the other end of town. And speaking of plans, plan the party all the way through—invitations, decorations, entertainment, and menu. Then you can relax and devote your time to making your guests happy, and the party will take care of itself.

Always remember that a friendly attitude in making guests feel at ease, and looking after their comfort will do more to put the party over than the hours that might be spent preparing novel refreshments. A party is an occasion for mutual enjoyment; so help the timid guest to become a part of the group.

Homemade punch in the refrigerator, perhaps the makings of molasses taffy, or a yummy-looking dessert that you can serve later in the evening should give reassurance where food is concerned. Have everything prepared ahead of time and let one of the guests help you when refreshment time comes.

Mother will be glad to have you take the responsibility of refreshments—be assured of that! Also to have your promise that you'll clean up after the party is over. You'll find the gang will probably help you with the clean-up process, if you handle them as carefully as Tom Sawyer did his fence-painting friends.

It's a good idea to keep a scrapbook of party ideas, including refreshments, games, decorations, or other items, to refer to when it's your turn to entertain. Practise makes perfect: Have parties for small groups of friends (simple, inexpensive gatherings), but have them often and help everybody to have fun.

Here are a few refreshment suggestions:

Ribbon Dessert

Make up a package of raspberry junket and follow directions on the box, pouring the pretty red pudding into the bottom of parfait or other dessert dishes and letting it set. Now make up a package of vanilla pudding and add to the raspberry, making the second layer. Last, add the layer of chocolate junket and set in the refrigerator until time to serve when a big dab of whipped cream and a bright red cherry will complete the picture. Serve this ribbon dessert with date-nut cookies. The same idea may be carried out with three colors of jello, if preferred.

You Can Do It!

THIS column for young people, and for any others who wish to take advantage of it, features articles of a "how-to-do-it" nature. Contributions are welcome and will be considered for publication at regular rates.



this one's Delicious

It's called Old English Olive Rabbit (or rarebit). A mighty tasty dish! Purists say "rabbit," but plenty of other folks say "rarebit." And the controversy lives on! But it's safe to bet there'll be no controversy in your family about this delicious flavor of this recipe.

Old English Olive Rabbit

½ cup chopped ripe olives	2 cups diced cheese
1 tbsp. butter or margarine	½ tsp. salt
1 tbsp. flour	¼ tsp. dry mustard
½ cup milk	¼ tsp. Worcestershire sauce
	Dash cayenne pepper

Crisp toast or crackers

Rinse and drain olives. Melt butter and blend in flour. Add milk and cheese, place over hot water and stir until cheese is melted. Blend in seasonings and chopped olives. Serve on crisp toast or crackers. Serves 4.

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The Great White Plume

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around to the back kitchen step and sat down and cried.

That night I lay awake till late, trying to think up some odd job I might find to earn three dollars; but I couldn't think of any.

But next morning my mother shook me early to wake me, and when I opened my eyes there stood Ethel with my mother, and even before Mother spoke, I knew that old Mrs. Wimmer had sent the little girl for me.

"Jump up quick," Mother said. "The storm last night blew part of the roof off Mrs. Wimmer's house. You must hurry over there and get some shingles and a ladder and fix it. It is something she cannot do herself."

I did not say so in front of the little girl, but I followed my mother to the springhouse and told her.

"I'm going to charge her this time," I said. "If she's got money to buy new spring hats, she can afford to pay me."

"But be reasonable with her," Mother said. "Her money comes hard with no menfolk on the place."

Then I explained to Mother how I'd seen Mrs. Wimmer pay three dollars for a spring hat the evening before. I also explained how much I wanted things. I told her about the shiny new fishing rods and reels in Mr. Honaker's store that other boys could buy.

"Besides," I said, "why does she want to stay there alone at that old place? Why can't she go live with some of her children?"

"Because," my mother replied, "that old place holds memories that are precious to her."

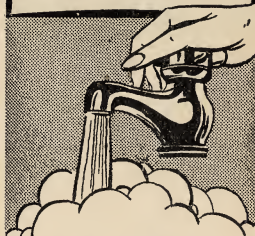
What my mother said made no more sense than what old Mrs. Wimmer had said to Mr. Honaker down at the store about the white blooms on the old apple trees.

But I somehow thought of such things again when I went with the little girl to old Mrs. Wimmer's place. The house looked old and dream-drowsy with mold and moss. I looked at the ancient apple tree with its slowly dying twigs, and I noticed, as she had said, that on the twigs that had enough life left to put out a blossom, the blossoms were white and gay; and I thought



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of the quivering white plume on the beautiful spring hat.

I saw the long row of wet quilts and blankets hung on the old paling fence to dry because they had become water-soaked when the storm ripped the shingles from the roof. I remember old Mrs. Wimmer met me at the row of quilts. She seemed to love the colors of the old quilts.

"This," she said, "is my old crazy-quilt. I recollect the quilting we had one day . . . long 'fore you were born. Your grandma and a lot of the neighbor women came in. Each of them brought a little scrap of some garment kind of precious to them. . . ."

She stopped there and put on her glasses. She began feeling and looking close along the old quilt of many colors and patterns.

"Oh, here it is," she said. "This little square of gray. Your grandma brought that. It's from your grandpa's old Civil War uniform. Your ma was telling me awhile back it was the only scrap that is left of it. . . ."

Then she showed me the roof and the ladder and gave me two dollars to go get the shingles.

I looked at the job and figured the time it would take me to go to the store for shingles and then get up and fix it, and I guessed it would take most of the day.

"Three dollars," I said, but not to her. I just said it to myself.

When I went for the shingles, I stopped at Mr. Honaker's store. I got him to lay away for me the fishing rod and reel with the three-dollar tag on it.

I got back and set up the ladder and carried the bundles of shingles up on the roof. I remember the little girl, Ethel, climbed up the ladder and spoke to me while I nailed shingles.

"How much you gonna charge Granny?" the little girl asked.

I said, "Oh, about three dollars, I guess."

She climbed back down, and I did not see the little girl for awhile, and when I did, she was going down the road. I recollect the pink ribbon that fluttered in the spring wind from her hair, and she was carrying a hatbox.

When I finished with the roof

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THE GREAT WHITE PLUME

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late in the day and climbed down, Mrs. Wimmer stood at the foot of the ladder with three one-dollar bills in her hand.

It kind of hurt me in the heart to take it, but I thought that other people charged for their work, and I took it and thanked Mrs. Wimmer, and I struck out for Mr. Honaker's store.

I gave him the three one-dollar bills for the new fishing rod and reel and started back up the road with it on my shoulder, and I thought it was pretty the way it glistened in the evening sun.

Then I saw the little girl's tracks in the sand. I saw them going and coming from Mr. Honaker's store. I thought of how she had hurried with the hatbox. I thought of how

Settlement Before Sundown

RICHARD L. EVANS

HAVE you ever walked out of your way to avoid speaking to someone? If you have, no doubt you remember that you weren't quite comfortable. The more people you feel you have to avoid, the more ill at ease you are. The more unsettled differences you have, the fewer places you feel free to go. If you have an unsettled quarrel with a neighbor, you probably feel uncomfortable and self-conscious in passing his place. If you have an unsettled misunderstanding with someone in your own family, you don't feel as comfortable in the same house as you could. A man with an unsettled quarrel is never quite at ease inside, and a man who isn't at ease inside cannot do his best work. In other words, our feelings against others cramp our own activities. And for this reason, and for many others, a quick and fair clearing of the atmosphere is so much to be preferred to dragging out differences. Sir Francis Bacon said, "Let not the sun go down upon your anger." Certainly we'd all be happier if each day's differences could be settled by sundown—because this business of brooding, this fermenting inside, is a deadly killer of human happiness. Sometimes people foolishly go along for years avoiding one another. Their estrangement may date back to some almost forgotten offense. But they have persisted so long in injured silence that it is embarrassing for either to break it. The best way to settle a misunderstanding is to settle it—even at the price of a little pride—even if we don't feel that we were at fault—even if it isn't rightly our place to make the first move. It may be worth swallowing just a little pride to have a load lifted off our minds, because everyone is cramped and uncomfortable in the presence of unreconciled enemies. And making the first move isn't always altogether a question of being magnanimous. It may be simply a question of being sensible. It is in our own interest to have misunderstandings cleared up, so that we can be at ease in our own home, in our own town, in our own thoughts—and not have to dodge and duck and feel that there are people we'd rather not meet face to face. There is much to be said for settlement before sundown.

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old Mrs. Wimmer had looked with the sparkle in her old eyes when she had looked in the mirror and the great misty plume quivered, and I wondered if an old lady's heart could ache for a beautiful plume in the springtime the same as mine could for a new rod and reel.

As I thought of such things, I slowed. I do not remember just the turning point, but somewhere along the dusty road something turned me, and I was hurrying. I was loping back to Mr. Honaker's store.

"Did the little girl that stays with Mrs. Wimmer bring back Mrs. Wimmer's hat?" I asked Mr. Honaker.

"Yes," he said, "wanted the money back . . . to fix the roof or something."

"You still got the hat?" I asked.

"Yes, it's there," he said.

"Why?"

"I want to trade you back this fishing rod and reel for the hat," I told him.

"That's a curious trade for a boy," Mr. Honaker said, "but it's all right with me."

He got the hatbox down, and I leaned the fishing rod against the counter and got out.

I loped up the road, but once I stopped. I lifted the lid from the hatbox to look at the misty, quivery, white plume. I wanted to touch it, but I could see it was not a thing to be touched by my plow and hammer-handle hands, and I put the lid back and hurried on.

When I got in sight of Mrs. Wimmer's old house, I missed something. The old memory quilt was gone from the fence, and when Mrs. Wimmer saw the hatbox, she just looked at me a little while, and then she spoke.

"You've brought it back," she cried. "I was just fixing to send Ethel after it."

"You mean you had three more dollars?" I asked.

"Not till after I sold the quilt," she said. "Your ma was over a while ago. She's been wanting that old crazy quilt because of that little patch of gray. And here's your three dollars back."

I took the three silver dollars with the years we kids were born on them, and I hurried home. I wanted to drop them back in the money cup on top of the kitchen cabinet.

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SCENE FROM A HILL

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So, as I stood there on the brow of that hill, looking down on what had been a fine old New England farm, I think I was justified in wondering what has happened in thirty-five years. I assume that I am certainly not justified in believing that there are no more people like

my grandfather, but I'd just like to see a few. Nor am I picking on farmers. Too many of us have grown soft, and with the advent of push-button existences we have grown indolent.

Perhaps I am too critical, but at least I know I'm confused.

Trials of Our Teens

RICHARD L. EVANS

WE WELL remember those years—the years when we had definitely passed our childhood but had not yet quite definitely “arrived” as adults. Our problems, which often seemed deeply serious to us, were not always considered so by others. More was expected of us than we had been accustomed to, yet less confidence was reposed in us than we sometimes thought should have been; and we were sometimes resentful of restraints. We have seen the wisdom of it all since then, but it was often trying in our teens. We sometimes thought of parents as people who didn't seem to know that the world had “changed.” Their ideas and admonitions often seemed “old-fashioned,” and there may have been times when we felt they were merely trying to interfere with our fun. Yes, we knew that they had been “over the road,” but we were given to supposing that the road must have altered altogether since they were young. To us it was a new road. How could they know? But to them it was fundamentally a familiar journey. Superficially the scenery changes somewhat—but basically the same roads still go the same places. And to you in the years of your youth: Believe us, parents don't want to “spoil your fun.” But they have traveled the road, and they have seen the signs—and they know the dangerous dead ends; they have seen the crashes of those who ignore the precautions—and they don't want you to come to a jumping-off place at a speed you can't control. All the rules of the road (all the commandments and precautions) are necessary because time and experience and human nature have proved that they are necessary. And so, be grateful for the precautions of parents. Have faith in them. They may not be infallible, but their wisdom will far outweigh their mistakes. And whatever else you may think, and however impatient you may become, write this on your heart and never forget it: *Your happiness is their first concern.* And there will come a time when you will understand this—if not sooner, then years from now, when you yourself may be anxiously trying to see a boy and a girl of your own through the times of their teens.

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The Church Moves On

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15 JUNE M. I. A. conference began with an early morning reception by general board members on Temple Square. There were general sessions in the Tabernacle at 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

A superintendents' and presidents' luncheon and a Golden Gleaner banquet were held.

The all-Church relay meet finals were held at the University of Utah stadium preceding the dance festival.

Thirty thousand spectators filled the University of Utah stadium to see the annual dance festival of the M. I. A.

Elder Ezra Taft Benson of the Council of the Twelve delivered the commencement address at the College of Osteopathic Physicians, Los Angeles, and received an honorary degree of humane letters from that institution.

16 THE day was devoted to M. I. A. departmental sessions of the June conference. The annual music festival of June conference was held in the Tabernacle.

17 A GENERAL session of the M. I. A. conference, under the direction of the First Presidency was held in the Salt Lake Tabernacle.

The afternoon session, held in the Tabernacle, and conducted by General Superintendent Elbert R. Curtis, was a "Conference of Latter-day Saint Youth."

These Times

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arrangements—a process that began with George Washington and has slowly but surely accelerated since Abraham Lincoln, until today, the pattern of every major piece of legislation is to confer a new duty, a new function, and a new power on the President. This process concerns not only the inhabitants of this republic, but, also, as stated above, much of the western world. The Mutual Defense Assistance Act of 1949 is a case in point. The statute authorizes the President to arm, and cooperate in arming, foreign countries; e.g. France. The President in turn issues an executive order designating (in this case) the secretary of state as the administrator of such programs, cooperating with the department of defense. The secretary of state then issues an order which becomes the "law" and the guide post for the operations. This is American government in these times and should be understood for its wide implications now and in 1952.

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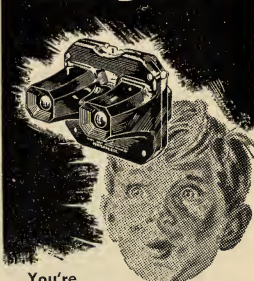
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Dear Editors:

THANK you for everything, and especially for the kind words regarding the Brannan article. The layout and the "dressing" you gave it were very effective and added immeasurably to its interest. In my opinion the April ERA marked a milestone of fine publishing, and I am proud indeed to have had my little article included as a part of it.

Arnold Friberg's magnificent painting of the *Brooklyn's* California entry made a striking cover illustration—a delight to every Latter-day Saint on the Pacific Coast. The fine reproduction you did of it, in process color, is a credit to the art of printing. Is it possible to get prints for framing? In his perfectly superb creation, Friberg has made history come to life. And all the California material in that unique issue was on the same high plane. Congratulations!

With gratitude, always, and with best wishes to all of you,

Sincerely,
Paul Bailey

Dear Editors:

PLEASE accept my apology for this belated acknowledgment of your courtesy during the preparation of the April ERA. I have been trying to find a moment to drop you a line of appreciation for your kindnesses to me—the advance copy of the ERA you sent me, and the very workmanlike manner in which you condensed the long history of the Church in northern California. I do appreciate your personal interest. The entire number was most interesting and has evoked a great deal of favorable comment.

My congratulations also to you for the very interesting article on the "first farmer." It revealed a new character to me; during the years I have been here, somehow, I had never come across his name.

Your California issue has proved such a success. I am anxiously awaiting "special issues" on other parts of the Church, such as Canada, Idaho, Arizona, southern Utah, Hawaii, etc. to name a few where there are temples.

The current issue about President McKay is a masterpiece. I am sure the people all over the Church will be deeply grateful for this inspiring issue.

Sincerely,
W. Aird Macdonald

Dear Editors:

I CERTAINLY like the covers on the April and May ERAs, and I like the color I find inside, too. You have led the ERA into the class of first class magazines. I will be looking forward each month to the colorful and absorbing new ERA.

Yours Sincerely,
Clifford E. Garrett



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FOUR ORGANIZATIONS HONOR L.D.S. GIRL

MARION GREAVES, San Diego Stake president of Junior Gleaners, received four top awards upon graduation from La Jolla High School, San Diego, California, in June: The American Legion presented Marion with a medal for being the outstanding girl citizen in her senior year. A gold cup for being the winner in a contest to select the best student in vocational arts was presented to her by the Bank of America. *Las Socias Neuvas* selected Marion as winner of the club's top scholarship award of \$200.00. The La Jolla Business and Professional Women's Club named Marion winner of their annual scholarship, a \$50.00 award.



MARION GREAVES

Marion is an active member of the Pacific Beach Ward M. I. A., where she currently serves as organist.

Reported by Effie H. Biesack

THE LIGHT TOUCH

ONE-SIDED

"I don't think I like it," said the little six-year-old after her first day of school. "I'd rather play outside."

"But you do like your teacher, don't you?" asked her mother.

The small girl thought a moment and then said, "No, I don't think I'm going to like her, either. She wants all her own way."

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A young woman should hold on to her youth—but not while he's driving.

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When you start out to borrow trouble, you find your credit is always good.

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If a man wins a woman by convincing her she is more important than he is, he has no business getting angry when she agrees with him.

Every cloud has a silver lining, but nowadays it's pretty difficult to get it to the mint.

FIVE Master M Men and two Golden Gleaners in one family! That is the record of the Widdisons where there are five brothers, a sister, and a sister-in-law who have achieved these awards. They hold and have held many positions of trust in the Church: (left to right back row), Elbert G. Widdison, Explorer leader in San Diego while serving in the U. S. Navy; Arch G. Widdison, member of the Lake View (Utah) Stake high council; Howard J. Widdison, ERA director of Lake View Stake. Middle row: Donna W. Draper, Bee Hive teacher in the Spanish Fork Second Ward, Palmyra (Utah) Stake; Lillian Widdison Garner, their mother, Relief Society theology leader, Lake View Stake; Elton Imlay Widdison, Primary Association counselor, Hooper Second Ward, Lake View Stake. Front row: Don G. Widdison, stake athletic supervisor, Lake View Stake; Milton G. Widdison, counselor in the bishopric of Hyland View Ward, East Mill Creek (Salt Lake City) Stake.



BUEHNER-CRETE GOES TO CHURCH



There's a strong flavor of Spanish Colonial design about the picturesque little Mexican Branch chapel of the L.D.S. Church at 232 West 8th South in Salt Lake City. On the outside, the rough-textured white **Buehner-crete masonry units** with flush mortar joints simulate Spanish style exteriors, while on the inside walls of the recreation hall, these same units contrast pleasingly with the polished wood beams and rafters.

The entrance doorway and other accent points are charmingly trimmed with **Buehner-**

crete cast stone in designs that harmonize with the lines of the building.

In this attractive new church building, beauty and economy have been successfully combined by architects Woods and Woods and executed with fine craftsmanship by mason contractors Knudsen and Hirschi.

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From the time he took charge of the family farm as a boy of 16, President J. Reuben Clark, Jr., has held positions involving great responsibility. Teacher, principal and university professor, lawyer and internationally prominent statesman, counselor in the First Presidency, scholar, writer, and authority on the life of Jesus, President Clark has brought to his varied tasks a wisdom and wit that have made his counsel highly valued. We are pleased to have him as a vice president of Beneficial.

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